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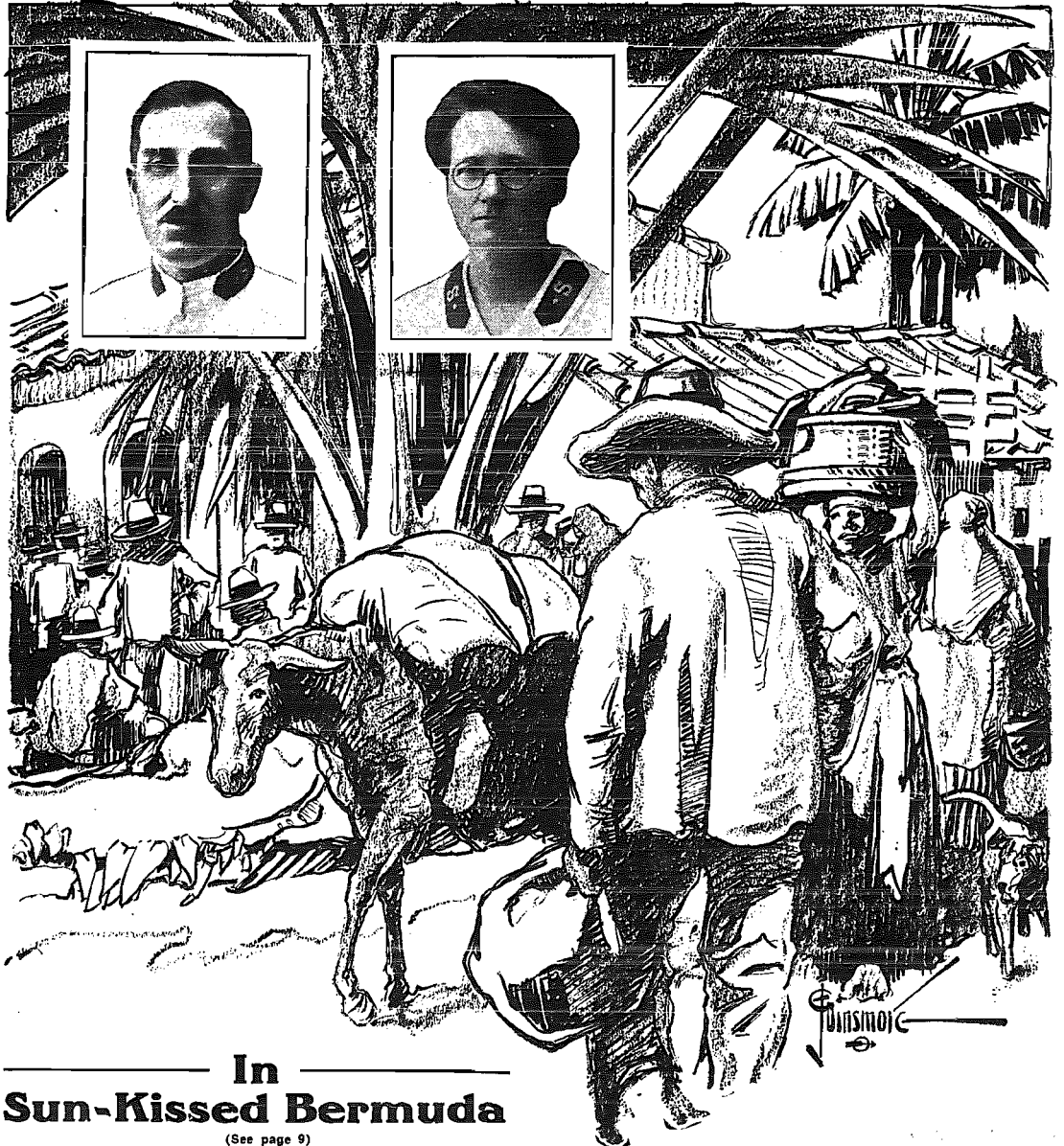
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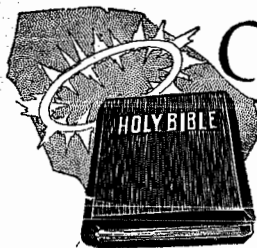
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CHARLES SOWTON, Commissioner



In
Sun-Kissed Bermuda

(See page 9)



The LIGHT

Which Illumines the
Darkness of Common Men

Representative Bible Characters

No. 7.—LUKE, WHO KEPT OUT OF SIGHT

"Cursed Oratory"

"My brethren, the teaching of the Gospel minister should always have soul-winning as its object. Never should we seek that the audience admire our excellence of speech. I have in my soul a thousand times cursed oratory, and wished the arts of elocution had never been devised, or at least, had never profaned the sanctuary of God; for often as I listened with wonder to speech right well connected, and sentences aptly arranged, I have felt as though I could weep tears of blood that the time of the congregation should be wasted listening to wordy rhetoric, when what was needed was plain, earnest pleading with men's hearts and consciences. It is never wiser a minister's while to go up to the pulpit to show his auditors that he is an adept at elocution. High sounding words and flowery periods are a mockery of men's spiritual needs. If a man desires to display his oratory, let him study for the bar, or enter Parliament; but let him not degrade the Cross of Christ into a peg to hang his laundry rags of speech upon.

CHAS. H. SPURGEON.

Children of God

- I.—Their entrance into the family:
 - 1.—"By nature the children of wrath"—Eph. 2:3.
 - 2.—"Children of God by faith"—Gal. 3:26.
 - 3.—Sins forgiven—1 John 2:12.
- II.—Their first cry:
 - 1.—"Abba, Father"—Gal. 4:6; Rom. 8:15.
- III.—Their surroundings:
 - 1.—Children of the light and day—1 Thes. 5:5.
- IV.—Their walk:
 - 1.—"Followers of God"—Eph. 5:1.
- V.—Their obligation:
 - 1.—"Little children . . . sin not"—1 John 2:1.
- VI.—Their privilege:
 - 1.—"Hast revealed . . . unto babes"—Matthew 11:25.
 - 2.—"Know all things"—1 John 2:13-20.

Old Testament Names

In the Old Testament three primary names are used when referring to deity. This fact alone suggests the Trinity. These names as translated in the Authorized Version of the Bible are: "GOD," "LORD," and "Lord." The name LORD when printed in capital letters means Jehovah, and the name Lord when printed in small letters means Master. These primary names are often combined as LORD GOD, and Lord God.

Zacchaeus

The story of his life in four words.

- 1.—Curiosity (v. 3).
- 2.—Conviction (vv. 6-8).
- 3.—Conversion (v. 9).
- 4.—Conservation (v. 8).

The Word of God

In days of old our brave forefathers went
To death's death axe or at the stake,
That they
Might keep intact the Word of God
for you
And me. They died that the whole
Book might come
Adown the long, long age and fill the
souls
Of men with love. They did not die
that you
Or I might take an axe or knife and
hack
And cut and whittle here and there
its truths
And leave the covers empty of the
Word.
They died that all mankind in every
age,
Might know of God and His good
message to the world.
When men of old went forth to
heaven lands
There to proclaim the Gospel of
God's grace.
They took the Bible in their hands
and fared
Them forth—at times to death, at
times to life
More difficult than death. They took
the Word
Of God and in it found the way of
life
For their own feet, and for the feet
of all
The men they met in those dark
lands. May I
As they, O Lord, send comfort,
wisdom, light
In Thy Blessed Book, nor cut nor
clip Thy Word,
But seeking and therein the way of
life for my dark soul.

—A. R. J.

Believe the Compass

"SOME years ago," says a writer, "Some men and I were in a heavy forest. We spent some hours travelling around in the woods. I had a pocket-compass with me. When we got ready to start home we were all, strange to say, of the opinion that we should go in a certain direction. We went that way until we were satisfied that it was the wrong direction. We guessed the way, and tried again, but failed to find a way out of the woods. Someone then thought of the compass. We looked at the compass, but it pointed in a way that seemed to us to be wrong. So we made another guess at the way, but failed, as before, to get out of the forest. We then decided to follow the compass and see where it would lead us. We did so, and it led us out of the forest the first trial. We cannot guess our way out of the wilderness of sin to our Heavenly Home. No one has ever been able to do that; but the Bible will lead us straight out of sin into Holiness; from this world to our Heavenly Home. Let us, with confidence, follow its guidance."

The Family Circle

To assist in the promotion of Christian fellowship at the evening family circle, we suggest the use of the Bible portions and comments here given.

Any converted member of the family should audibly read the portions after the meal is finished and before the members disperse to the pursuits of the evening.

SUNDAY, MAY 3rd, JEREMIAH 2:1-8. "THUS SAITH THE LORD."

There is almost a human cry in our portion to-day. God speaks of Israel, and their years in the wilderness, and He asks His people why they have forsaken Him after all His love and tenderness! Have you ever thought that God longs for your love and trust, as a good earthly father desires the love and confidence of his child?

MONDAY, MAY 4th, JEREMIAH 2:9-19. "BROKEN CISTERNS, THAT CAN HOLD NO WATER."

Imagined in a hot country where rain seldom fell, the bitter disappointment of people who had made themselves a cistern, and then found that it would not hold water. And yet their disappointment is as nothing compared to that of those who place all their hopes on some earthly joy or prop, and find it fail them in their hour of need.

TUESDAY, MAY 5th, JEREMIAH 3:12-19. AN INVITATION TO THE BACKSLIDER.

If we have backslidden there are two conditions which we have to fulfill. We must acknowledge our sin and turn away from it. Then if we do our part, the Lord promises that He "will not keep His anger."

"Let sinners quit their evil ways. Their evil thoughts forego; And God, when they to Him return, Returning grace will show."

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6th, JEREMIAH 3:20-25. "I WILL HEAL YOUR BACKSLIDINGS."

Has backsliding made a wound on your soul, raw and painful? The Great Physician is beside you now, and He can, and will heal your wound, however deep and longstanding it is. Do not try any other remedy, but say:

"All my diseases, my every sin To Thee, O Jesus, I confess; In pardon, Lord, my cure begin And perfect it in Holiness."

THURSDAY, MAY 7th, JEREMIAH 3:18-22. "WHEN I WOULD COMFORT MYSELF AGAINST SORROW, MY HEART IS FAINT IN ME."

Jeremiah felt it useless to hope for anything but a future of sorrow for backsliding Judah. They had provoked the Lord to anger "with strange vanities," and He had departed from among them. Let us today beware lest we grieve away the Spirit of God by the love of anything He forbids. Only those in whom He abides can be sure of glad days to come.

FRIDAY, MAY 8th, JEREMIAH 9:20-24. "IN THESE THINGS I DELIGHT, SAITH THE LORD."

Lovingkindness, judgment and righteousness, are the things referred to. God delights in these because love, justice and holiness are three of the glorious attributes of His character. What we are in ourselves, that we delight in, and reveal in our dealings with others.

"And the best that thou canst be, Is the service asked of thee."

SATURDAY, MAY 9th, JEREMIAH 13:1-11. "THIS EVIL PEOPLE . . . SHALL BE . . . GOOD FOR NOTHING."

A "good-for-nothing" people, when God had purposed they should be unto Him "for a praise and a glory!" Why this bitter disappointment? Because, refusing to hear God's words, they walked in the imagination of their own heart. God has great and gracious purposes for each. Let us beware lest they fail to be fulfilled through our own foolishness.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

A Social Officer's Testimony Following the Derailing of a Train in Which She was Travelling

I WAS travelling on the C.N.R. from Toronto to Winnipeg recently, when the train was suddenly derailed. I thought it might encourage some of my Comrades to remind them once more that "the promises of God are sure, if we only believe." Like the Psalmist "I sought the Lord and He heard me and delivered me from all my fears." We were fearful for a while when the engineer could not be found. He was still at his post, but as it was surmised that there was a deep drift of snow near the overturned engine, he had to be dug out, but fortunately was alive and unhurt.

I felt, as a Salvation Army Officer, that I should publicly return thanks to God for our deliverance from sudden death (for all were uninjured), and after doing so "I laid me down and slept, for the Lord sustained me." When the porter informed us that he would like some reading (his duty was to stay with the derailed train), I was glad of the wonderful opportunity afforded to witness for the Master and handed him my Testament, believing that His Word will not return to Him void.

We were taken on by another train, and I truly believe that "All things work together for good to them that love God."—G. Piprell, Ensign, Regina Social Settlement.

WHERE IS YOUR MIND?

DO YOU know what happens to the people who allow the world to take hold of their minds? Their manner of life may appear all right, but the mind goes out to the same things as does the working's. Later on, it will reveal itself more markedly, and, coming out of its hiding-place more boldly, will throw off the disguise and regulate the actions of the daily life without reserve. That is why, for so long, men and women hide their heart-backslidings from an unobservant world, startling it later by and fall from grace. All the time in the mind the fall has already taken place, but apart from the sight of men—only God saw.

Such did not read every kind of novel or magazine, nor the worst, just a few of the less doubtful, and those in private. They did not enter the moving-picture show in actuality, but they glanced hungrily at the display of pictures on the outside, and wished they were as free to go as some they knew.

Surely it is not necessary to explain that it is not the doing but the thinking that constitutes the real doing after all. To have a mind to murder one's brother is to be a murderer at heart, though no weapon be ever lifted against him. To have the mind of the world is to be of the world, and surely at enmity with God, having no fellowship with the works of light and truth.

The new heart must ever create a new mind, and whereas once the world was the attraction, the Cross will become the centre of desire. It will never be a question of how far one may go with the world, but rather how far one may keep from it.

The mind that was in Christ Jesus will possess and dominate ours. We shall be separate, not because rules and regulations compel us to be, but because we desire so to be.

Idleness is costly without being a luxury. It is hard work for those who are not used to it and dull work for those who are.

GIVING ONE-TENTH

A PRINCIPLE IN LIFE WHICH MAKES ITS INFLUENCE FELT
IN ALL DIRECTIONS—A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

By COLONEL JAMES J. COOKE

THE FIRST TIME I really gave any serious thought to this matter was when I was in charge of the Work in the West Indies. We were very poor indeed, and I was suffering from malaria. When I was able to get out and about I could raise the money we needed for the war. We were not in receipt of any grant from London, and we did our best not to make any great calls upon the International Exchequer.

One day, I read in the U.S.A. "War Cry" of an Officer who had been greatly tried with money matters, until the thought came to him that he ought to give the tenth of his income to the Lord. He decided to do this, with the result that at Corps after Corps at which he was stationed his Soldiers followed his example and contributed one-tenth of their income to the work of God. This meant that all the ordinary expenses of the Corps were readily met, no financial difficulties arose, the Soldiers were blessed, God's Spirit was poured out upon the people, and awakening after awakening followed.

As I read this wonderful story, I confess that I felt condemned. The Spirit of God said, "Give a tenth." At that time I had only sixpence in my possession; we had three horses to keep, and I felt almost angry with the Lord—but it was only for a moment. My dear wife and I had given up all for Him. We had no love for money; we were so poor that many of our meals consisted largely of salt fish and yams, or of porridge prepared from Indian corn.

We did not grumble about that; but when the Lord said, "Give a tenth of that sixpence," I felt vexed and responded, "Lord, You can have the lot!" He was very patient with me, and said, "No. I only want a penny." I think I never gave money so reverently before as I did then. I doubt whether I ever have since—as when I gave Him that penny.

That took place more than thirty years ago, and, to the glory of God, I can say I have never wanted money since.

The giving to God of one-tenth, in my judgment, is a Divine plan. That amount,

if I read His Holy Word aright, is especially due to Him, and ought to be laid aside for Him, although, of course, we should remember that the balance remaining is also His, and should ever be at His disposal.

From time to time since then I have pressed this very strongly on our Comrades as being the common duty of all God's people. Let me tell of two cases in which my advice was acted upon. In the first, the Comrade, who remains a good Salvationist to this day, has become a rich man, pos-

sessed of houses and property. In the other case, prosperity equally attended our Comrade's earthly way during his lifetime, although he is now in the Gloryland. His wife and children remain good Salvationists.

In a certain London Corps there were two families. One earned half as much as the other, the head of the poorer of the two regularly gave a tenth of his income to the Lord, and yet always had a nice, comfortable home, and the parents wore full uniform. In the other family there was no giving of the tenth, the man only gave irregularly in his Cart-

ridge, yet always seemed to be in want, and could not afford, he said, to wear uniform.

I would press very strongly on every Salvationist to give one-tenth conscientiously and regularly to the Lord. If every Soldier was to do this, there would be very little need for special collections.

I have observed that those who give one-tenth are, generally speaking, very conscientious on other matters. Looseness in financial matters usually comes from looseness in relation to God, and this leads to backsliding, and often to gross sins.

Pray over the matter; seek to know the will of God on it. Hold back nothing from the Lord, and what He shows you to do, do it at once, and do it wholeheartedly. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." That promise, which the Lord spoke to his servant, Malachi, stands unchanged to-day.

HEAR THE WORD OF THE LORD

AND ALL the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord.

And concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock . . . the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord.—Leviticus 27:30-32.

And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.—Genesis 28:22.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.—2 Corinthians 9:7.

Thus speak unto the Levites, and say unto them, When ye take of the children of Israel the tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall offer up an heave offering of it for the Lord, even a tenth part of the tithe.—Numbers 18:26.



Under the FLAG

That Guides poor Sinners on the Way

READY FOR ANY EMERGENCY

THE ARMY AT CALL OF THE POOR THE WIDE WORLD
OVER—FEEDING TOKIO'S UNEMPLOYED—SUCCOR FOR
STARVING KOREANS

'Always a Pleasure'

BRIGADIER (DOCTOR) WILLE, whose fame, as an eye specialist, has spread far and wide, was recently visited by a gentleman from Singapore and another from Hong Kong. In each case both eyes must be operated upon; one of the men is, at all appearances, totally blind.

At Magelang, an Outpost, twenty-eight Converts have been registered in two weeks. They include four Chinese, one of whom is the son of the Chinese Major who has given the use of a room for Meetings.

A doctor at Weltevreden, when thanked for his kindness in giving special attention to Mrs. Commandant Schipper, who has since been promoted to Glory, replied: "It is always a pleasure to treat Salvation Army Officers, because they are doing such good work."

Hostel and Hall for Jamaica

THE West Indian Government recently placed at The Army's disposal to be used as a Hostel for Women, a number of large rooms beneath the court-house in Kingston, Jamaica. These rooms have had a thorough over-hauling and much has been done to make the Hostel attractive and homely. The dormitory system has given place to cubicles, and a comfortable sitting-room and dining-room adds greatly to the brightness of the place. It is hoped that this will do much to encourage transients to avail themselves of the comfort and safety that this institution affords.

A new Hall has been erected in what is known as the Rae Town district of Kingston, in which is located the No. IV. Corps. Until recently the Meetings have been held under a tree, and a splendid work has been done in the Open-Air. The Comrades are now able to enjoy the blessing of a building of their own.

Near Russian Frontier

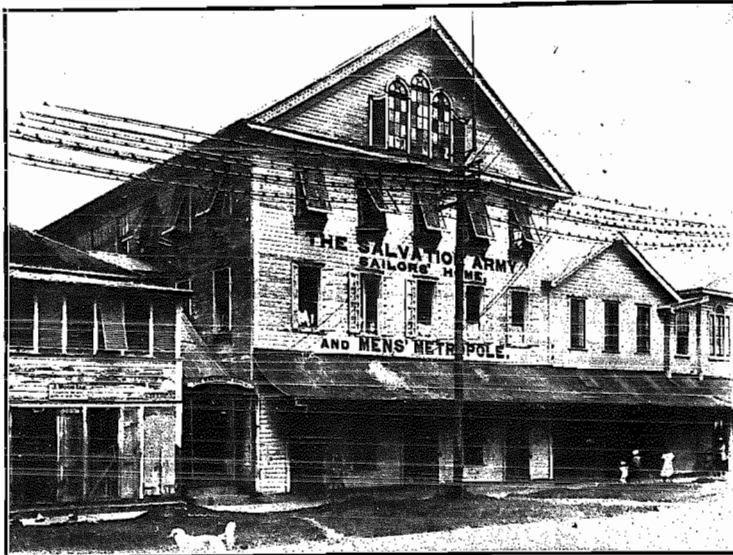
LIEUT.-COMMISSIONER and Mrs. PALMER have recently conducted a series of rounding Salvation Meetings in the Karelian Division of the Finnish Territory. At Terijoki, near the Russian frontier, a Meeting for military men only was attended by over 300 soldiers, who not only listened eagerly to the Commissioner's talk, but also readily accepted Army literature and Bible portions.

The thirty-fourth anniversary at Helsingfors, L., conducted by Colonel Blomberg, attracted large crowds.

THAT The Salvation Army is ready for any emergency, whether of a local or national character, has been amply demonstrated over and over again.

An earthquake shakes the big cities of Japan to ruins, and almost before the shocks have ceased, Salvationists turning from their own demolished Headquarters, are engaged in the work of rescue. A serious

coiled invitation tickets, judiciously distributed by Army Officers, had been three, and in some instances four, days without food. Others had walked from Yokohama, about twenty miles, animated no doubt by the same thought which seems, the world over, to guide the steps of the unfortunate to the capital city of a country, only to find that distress in the smaller place was only aggravated in the



A much used "Home Away From Home" by men of the Navy, situated in Georgetown, British Guiana.

famine arises in India, and at once the whole Salvation Army world responds to the call of the General for funds to feed the starving millions.

News reaches the Korean Salvationists in the Hawaiian Islands that their fellow-countrymen at home are dying because of lack of food; immediately provision is made for the dispatch of a ship-load of food and clothing. A liner picks up survivors from a ship which has been sunk in mid-ocean; word is brought to Salvationists in a port hundreds of miles away that they are arriving on a certain day, and when the poorly-clothed, semi-starved passengers step on the quay they find The Salvation Army waiting to offer them clothing, warm shelter, and food.

The most recent instance comes from Tokio (Japan), where our Officers are daily feeding hundreds of unemployed men, and concerning which Staff-Captain Climpson writes: "Tokio, in common with all large cities, has the problem of the unemployed facing its controlling authorities, and it was but natural that 'The Army of the Helping Hand' should undertake to supply the needy with food.

"Several of the men, when they re-

metropolis, and their loneliness was magnified by the vastness of the population.

"To all these 'The Army is supplying food and cheer, and at night the 'Save-the-World Army' Tent is the scene of Salvation Meetings."

The relief work undertaken on behalf of the starving Koreans, mentioned above, is thus described by Adjutant Cooke:

"The city of Honolulu was greatly alarmed when news was received that thousands of people in Korea were on the verge of starvation owing to famine conditions, and were living on tree barks and roots of plants, the big floods having destroyed all crops in a large area and done irreparable damage in other ways."

"The Korean Officer in Honolulu, Captain Kilsno Haan, at once formed a Relief Committee, consisting of well-known citizens and Salvationists, and made an appeal for clothing and bedding, rice, flour, etc., with the result that he was able to ship to Seoul 175 bags of flour, 56 bags of rice, 3 cases of salmon, 200 pairs of shoes, 7,500 garments, and a large quantity of bedding. In addition 1,500 yen were also sent to Lieut.-Commissioner Palastra."

B-R-E-V-I-T-I-E-S

THE GENERAL has decided to make Belgium a Sales Territory, whose leader will be responsible to Lieut.-Commissioner Peyron at Paris. The newly-appointed Commander is Major Muller, who is an Alsatian by birth.

The Army has commenced operations in the Russian Colony in Paris. Captain Zinoski, a woman Russian Officer, who, at Moscow, passed through the terrible years of war and revolution, has been placed in charge of this work.

A Salvation Army Assurance Agent, of Bristol, England, when on his rounds, came across a poor widow who had been living in a railway company's house for over forty years, and who was in extremely poor circumstances. A special appeal was made by the Agent to the railway company concerned, which resulted in the woman receiving a grant of \$50.00, payable at the rate of \$5.00 per month.

Discouraged because of his inability to secure employment, a man in Hattiesburg, Miss., U.S.A., decided to "end it all," and with this in view he purchased a phial of poison and made his way to a secluded spot on the outskirts of the city. It happened, however, that on his way he passed The Army Hall and, thinking the Officers might be able to advise him, he went in. Envoy Grant, who is in charge of the Corps, told him from whence peace and comfort could be found. The man knelt by the kitchen chair and prayed for himself. When he arose he passed over the poison to the Envoy, and returned to his family—a new man.

Young People's Councils, held at fifteen different centres in Holland, resulted in 450 seekers, fifty-five of whom volunteered for Officership.

At Lihue, the principal city in the island of Kauai, Hawaiian Islands, thirty Local Officers were recently commissioned by the Divisional Commander, also five Filipino men were enrolled as Soldiers. During the Meeting ten souls sought Salvation.

A thirty-three day Salvation Campaign just concluded in Czechoslovakia, resulted in eighty seekers at the mercy-seat. The appearance, during the campaign, of a newly-formed Officers' Band, created unusual interest.

The Home League, though only a recent branch of Army operations, now numbers, in the British Territory, 6,000 members, who are attached to 1,900 branches. The past year produced a net increase of over 5,000 new members and sixty-eight new branches.

Leaguer Wheeler of the Naval and Military League, and attached to H.M.S. Resolution, obtained, with the assistance of other Leaguers, the sum of £12.10s. for the Self-Denial Effort, which has just concluded in the United Kingdom. The boat's chaplain gave permission for the Church of England altar, which was draped for the occasion by the Blood-and-Fire Flag, to be used for the placing of the gifts.

The Chicago "Young Soldier" is to increase its size from twelve to sixteen pages. The circulation of this paper has now reached 31,000 copies per issue.

Kitchen Meetings held in Whitfield Corps, England, have resulted in fourteen new Soldiers.

COLONEL and MRS. BOND Return to Old Battle-ground and Lead Meetings at the Toronto Temple and Earls Court

GREAT interest was manifested in the announcement that a former Editor-in-chief, in the person of Colonel John Bond, would conduct the Easter Meetings at the Toronto Temple. Eight years had passed since Colonel and Mrs. Bond had left the Land of the Maple Leaf, leaving their family behind. That they had not been forgotten was evidenced by the crowds of Officers and Comrades who were present at each Meeting with their cordial "Welcome Home."

At the morning Holiness Meeting an unusually large crowd gathered and an exit had to be made from the Council Chamber to the Temple Auditorium, where the ground floor was entirely occupied. The Colonel had the pleasure of dedicating his grandchild—Olive Ruth Webber. This ceremony was made a great blessing to all present. The testimonies of both parents, Ensign and Mrs. Webber, were full of gratitude to the Lord for all His mercies. The Songster Brigade was out in full force at this Meeting and sang appropriate Easter selections.

A splendid crowd gathered for the afternoon Meeting and, after a helpful Scriptural lesson by Cadet Clarke and two splendid items by the Band, the Colonel gave a most informative talk on Australia.

Colonel and Mrs. Bond, it was quite evident, were happy to be back on an old battlefield, and the crowd of Salvationists were equally glad to have them once again. Colonel Otway fervently prayed God's blessing on the night Meeting and His power was mightily felt. The Colonel had great liberty in his Bible address; most searching truths were uttered, so that when Envoy Alward stepped forward to "draw in the net" it was not long until the first man was at the penitent-form. Five seekers were registered, including a man and wife. Open-Air fighting showed a splendid increase during the day, the Soldiers holding an extra Meeting at night in "Cdnatowns." Offerings were nearly doubled and a larger number of cartridges were fired. It was a great day of blessing. The sum of thirty-seven dollars and twenty cents was freely given by the Comrades and friends of the Temple Corps for the "Sydney Strike Appeal."

—F.H.

THE Earls Court Corps was fortunate to receive a visit from Colonel Bond on Sunday, April 19th.

Appreciation of the opportunity of hearing the Colonel again, after an absence of eight years, was evidenced by the excellent congregations in attendance throughout the day.

The Colonel's addresses were powerful in thought, pregnant with truth, and were made additionally forceful by his apt illustrations.

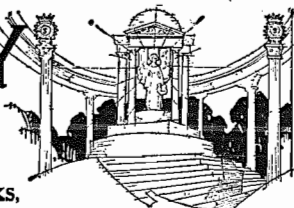
A very hallowed and blessed time of spiritual uplift and inspiration was experienced in the Holiness Meeting. Outside climatic conditions were disagreeable, but the influences at work in the initial service of a splendid series of Meetings, were valuable in augmenting the Colonel's thought-provoking talk on the "Fruits of the Spirit."

In the night service, a novel feature, the reproduction of a record by the Founder, served to heighten interest and to make more impressive, the speaker's powerful Salvation address, in which he stressed the efficacy of the Living Water to those who thirsted for it.

The musical aggregations of the Corps gave noteworthy support by their excellent offerings of instrumental and vocal music, calculated to bless and help.—C.W.

Our ACADEMY

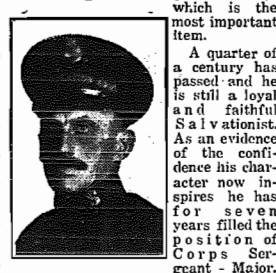
Worthy Personalities in Par and Picture



SERGEANT-MAJOR PALMER, SONGSTER-LEADER SPARKS, BROCKVILLE ST. CATHARINES

THE CITY amongst the Thousand Islands—Brockville—is the home of Sergeant-Major Palmer who is known from end to end of this picturesque spot. His notoriety in the days previous to his conversion was of an entirely different character to that which he now enjoys. Then he was known as a ne'er-do-well, a drunkard and a spendthrift. So straitened were his circumstances at one time, due to his profligacy, that he did not have enough money to redeem his laundry from the pawnshop!

One day, twenty-five years ago, he was walking the streets of Prescott (twelve miles from Brockville) drunk as usual, when the sight of a handful of Salvationists holding an Open-Air Meeting arrested him. This sight riveted his attention until the little band formed up and marched off. The subject of our sketch had heard the Captain give an invitation to any who cared to follow them to the Hall, so he reeled along at the rear of the march and eventually found himself with a crowd of others in the small building. What transpired in that Meeting is not told beyond the fact that he got "soundly converted,"



which is the most important item. A quarter of a century has passed and he has remained a still a loyal and faithful Salvationist. As an evidence of the confidence his character now inspires he has for the last five years filled the position of Corps Sergeant-Major.

His efforts in the Corps are of a very practical type for no special campaign occurs but what he shares in it. He too, is an alert "War Cry" boomer, disposing usually of two hundred copies of the special issues.

Supplementing the Sergeant-Major in all his endeavors is Mrs. Palmer, who, although frail in body, is a constant source of encouragement to him.

DRUMMER WINWOOD, PRESTON

FOR THE past thirty-eight years our Comrade has been in the Salvation fight. It was as a young man of eighteen that he was first attracted to The Army and led to seek God. This took place in Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, England. Many and varied have been his experiences since then, and the sailing has not always been the smoothest, but he has never ceased to wage war on sin.

WILLIAM SPARKS was born in The Army, so to speak; his parents being old and tried veteran Salvationists, who at one time soldiered at Clapton Congress Hall Corps. As a lad he was deluged regarding his spiritual necessities in that he thought that the goodness of his parents would suffice in some manner for him. Happily, this delusion became shattered when thirteen he got converted and became a Junior Soldier.

His home environment undoubtedly did much to mould his character as a Salvationist, and he feels that he owes more than he can ever repay to his parents for the standard of godly living which they upheld. Aspirations for the Second Blessing were created in a Meeting led by his father in Paris, Ontario, in which Corps he was able to render efficient service as the organist of the Songster Brigade. That he has an aptitude for his present position as Songster Leader is not strange considering he has played the organ since the age of six and has also had a great deal to do with Songsters in various ways.

Work brought him to St. Catharines in 1918 where his efforts have been used in a definite manner. Shortly after his entry into the Corps he undertook the leadership of the Songster Brigade which has made rapid strides in the direction of a higher standard, both musically and spiritually. The Songster Leader is a young man and thus it is not surprising that he has a warm spot in his heart for the younger element which is to be found in the St. Catharines Corps; the Brigade is comprised of seventy-five per cent. of teen-age young people. In his opinion the Brigade provides a splendid ground for the development of the musical talent of the young Comrades and also prevents, to some extent, their desire to misuse their time.

Our Comrade, too, is the solo euphonium player in the Senior Band and assists the Bandmaster also in training the Young People's Band lads, who have recently been organized into a Band.

BROTHER HENRY SMITH, LIPPINCOTT

THIS eighty-three-year-old veteran holds the honored position of No. 1 on the Corps Roll. Since the stormy days when the Corps was opened, "Dad" has faithfully adhered to the Colors and even yet is a regular attendant at most Meetings, not excepting the Open-Airs in which he glories.

He was converted under the Rev. Wm. Taylor, a noted American preacher, who was visiting the Old Country and under whom thousands of people were saved at that time. Even as he sat in his seat he was

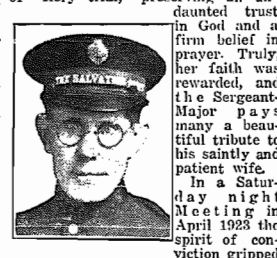
conscious of an inward change being wrought and he left the building with a new light in his eye and fresh courage in his heart.

Our Comrade is a firm believer in "button-holding." When he came to this country in 1869 he "button-holed" the ship's officer—a wicked man, much given to profanity—and just before disembarking presented the officer with a "Swearer's Prayer," and the "Life of Richard Weaver." The man later settled in Canada and not far from Brother Smith's residence, whose joy knew no bounds when he was able, subsequently, to lead the seafarer to Christ. This was, of course, before the advent of The Army into the country.

It was in the old Ellis Street building, Toronto, about thirty-eight years ago that Brother Smith first came in touch with The Army. He had tired of the stereotyped manner of the church of which he was a member, and thus it was a happy day when The Army crossed his path and he became a Blood and Fire Soldier.

SERGEANT-MAJOR YORK, NAPANEE

OUR COMRADE is truly a modern trophy of grace for it was but two years ago that he proved the miracle working power of Christ's Blood to cleanse him. His was truly an ugly past. He was known the length and breadth of the community as a miserable drunkard and was classed as "a failure," by all respectable citizens. The drink demon deprived him of all his earnings, robbed him of his reputation and made his home a misery and still his appetite for sin was unsatisfied. Debts accumulated which he was unable to meet. His wife, who is a Salvationist, loyally fought through these years of "fiery trial," preserving an un-



daunted trust in God and a firm belief in prayer. Truly, her faith was rewarded, and the Sergeant-Major pays many a beautiful tribute to his saintly and patient wife.

In a Saturday night Meeting in April 1923 the spirit of conviction gripped him and that night he was able to exclaim with the Psalmist "as for our transgressions He shall purge them away."

His conversion was thorough and thus it was practical. Not only did it cause a transformation in him and in his home, but it caused him to visit his creditors and tell them that he intended to "square up" his debts, which he has since done. On the second Anniversary of his conversion he declared that Salvation was profitable because he was better off physically, spiritually and financially. Since October of last year our Comrade has faithfully fulfilled his duties as Corps Sergeant-Major and is a credit to himself and to The Army.



Battle EQUIPMENT

**For All Who Fight
For GOD and Right**

SPEAKING FOR CHRIST BY THE ARMY FOUNDER

One Good Deed

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."—Ecclesiastes 9:10.

"**W**HATSOEVER thy hand findeth to do," refers to works that are possible. There are many things which our heart findeth to do which we never shall do. It is well if it is in our heart; but if we would be eminently useful, we must not be content with forming schemes in our heart, and talking of them; we must practically carry out "whatsoever our hand findeth to do." One good deed is worth more than a thousand brilliant theories. Let us not wait for large opportunities, or for a different kind of work, but do just the things we "find to do" day by day. We have no other time in which to live. The past is gone; the future has not arrived; we never shall have any time but time present. Then do not wait until your experience has ripened into maturity before you attempt to do great things. Endeavor now to bring forth fruit. Be careful as to the way in which you perform what you find to do, "do it with thy might." No man ever served God by doing things to-morrow. If we honor Christ and are blessed, it is by the things which we do to-day. Whatever you do for Christ, throw your whole soul into it. Do not give Christ a little slurred labor, done as a matter of course now and then; but as you serve him, do it with heart, and soul, and strength.

But where is the might of a Christian? It is not in himself, for he is perfect weakness. His might lieth in the Lord of Hosts. Then let us seek His help; let us proceed with prayer and faith, and when we have done what our "hand findeth to do," let us wait upon the Lord for His blessing. What we do thus will be well done, and will not fail in its effect.

Following Christ

WHAT is the deepest longing of your heart—the secret desire that colors all your thoughts and determines the use you make of your life? Is it that you may preach Christ; that you may make known among the people His almighty saving power—that you may serve Him in righteousness and true Holiness? Or is it the thought of some petty pleasure you are planning for yourself, of an easy time you are going to have and of how you can with the least trouble and pain to yourself follow the Master? "Of, when we ask for fuller, happier life, He sets us some new task involving pain and strife." Our long desired opportunities sometimes come to us disguised as disappointments, or difficulties, or at least as most uninviting tasks. Let us be careful, therefore, lest by seeking to avoid the duty that is unpleasant we miss the open door to wider usefulness in the Master's service. "If we have but the right mind, all things, even those that hurt us, help us."

THERE are a great many people on earth, and a growing number in Heaven, who have been converted through some personal word spoken by the lovers of Jesus at unexpected times and in unusual places.

sary to decide before what you will say. The Holy Ghost will supply you with words, and bless you in speaking.

2. Keep a sharp look out for opportunities as they arise.



Be alert to speak for your Master; deal faithfully with the unsaved and depend upon God for guidance in this necessary and important undertaking.

The opportunities for this kind of usefulness are so numerous that they cannot be counted. They come to us every day, and to most of us many times a day. But, alas! how often they come and go unnoticed and unimproved! This should not be. We want to ask you to take advantage of them.

In many cases your neglect of what appears to be a duty may cause some surprise, and even lead those who witness it to set you down as insincere, or as only half believing the great truths on which The Army lays so great a stress.

Of course, opportunities will ever be occurring to you to speak to the members of your own family about their spiritual interests. But it is not those opportunities to which, at this moment, I refer, important as they may be. Neither am I asking you to avail yourselves of every chance of speaking to your comrades about these subjects. I am asking for something more than this. I am urging you to seize every opportunity of putting in your word for Salvation to the ungodly people around you. In order to do this, I recommend you to—

1. Make up your mind to speak about God's will to the first stranger that crosses your path after reading this Message.

Do not think it absolutely neces-

Again, I say, God will guide you. But wherever there is a chance, strive to make the most of it. Oh, how often these chances come and go unimproved!

Do we not often reproach ourselves for having lost such opportunities? "Why did I not speak about his soul to that man with whom I had the chat?" Or, "Why did I not drop a word to that woman whom I spoke to on some other matter?"

Sometimes those to whom God has given us the chance of speaking are suddenly stricken down, and pass away. Then in bitterness of heart we say: "Oh, why did I not utter a word of warning when the chance was mine? Now they are gone beyond my reach for ever!" Perhaps God, on the Judgment Day, will echo that question, "Why?" Therefore, be watchful.

3. In speaking to strangers, be careful not to give needless offense. Speak kindly and gently, and with all due courtesy and respect, and you will be surprised how far you can go without creating ill feeling. Should any one ever be offended, you must apologize.

4. Be sure and deal faithfully when you do speak.

In many cases you can create interest by relating something of your own experience. Testimony is a wonderful thing, and, when given

modestly, with faith in God, generally moves the hearts of those who hear it.

5. Be sure every time, and all the time, to cast yourselves on God for His blessing on what you say, remembering that He is with you.

Do not be discouraged if your words are rejected, or received with scorn, or, it may even be, cast back in your teeth with sneers or curses. You can remember that this was the experience of your Lord, and that is no proof that you have not said the right thing, and that it may not have the desired effect.

It is not you who do the work, but the truth you speak. Unknown to you, the heaven you have imparted may be working in the heart you have approached, and the seed you have sown may be destined to bring forth precious fruit.

For, soon or late, to all that sow, The time of harvest shall be given; The sower shall bloom, the fruit shall grow.

If not on earth, at least in Heaven. My comrades, let me ask whether you are in the habit of following this method of usefulness? If you are, I congratulate you, and bless you in the name of the Lord. Go on, and prosper more and more!

If it has not been your custom to speak for your Lord after this fashion I want you to ask Him to forgive your neglect; to promise Him that you will do better in the future, and that you will begin to-day.

Without the Necessary Light

KNOWLEDGE without God is like a man learned in all the great mysteries of light and heat who has never seen the sun. He may understand perfectly the laws which govern them, the results which follow them, and yet he will be in the dark.

So, too, knowledge, learning, human education and wisdom are all possible to man, he may even excel in them and yet know nothing of that light within the mind by which he apprehends them.

Nay, more! he may even be a marvellous adept in the theory of religion, and yet, alas! alas! may never have seen its sun—may still be in the blackness of gross darkness, because he knows not Jesus, the Light of the World, Whom to know is life eternal.

Facts of Great Importance

SOME of us go to more trouble to save ourselves work than the work itself would entail.

There is no better ballast for keeping the mind on an even keel than doing thoroughly the thing in hand.

Good manners demand three things, self-control, self-denial, and self-respect.

When one is unwilling to practise what one preaches, it is time to stop preaching.

Some people put off till to-morrow what should have been done last week.

Shoulders well squared, head well up, a smile and hope, and the tangle will soon straighten out.

To pity is something more than to give, for money is external to a man's self; but he who bestows compassion communicates his own soul.

An idle man is a drone in the hive, a dumb note in the organ, a barren tree in the orchard, a dead fish drifting down the stream.

Good nature is the beauty of the mind, and, like personal beauty, is almost without anything else—sometimes, indeed, in spite of positive deficiencies.

OVER THE RIVER

BROTHER THISTLE, ST. JOHN'S II.

COLONEL AND MRS. CLOUD conducted a Memorial Service to Brother Thistle at St. John's II. on Sunday night. The building was packed to its utmost capacity.

Sisters Antle and Jones and Mrs. Colonel Cloud spoke very feelingly about his conversion, which took place at a Prayer Meeting conducted in his home by Candidate Sadle Jones. From that time to the day of his death, it was a pleasure to visit this Comrade, as the presence of God pervaded his room. Although he suffered intensely for the past fourteen months, he was resigned to the will of God. Before he passed away he assured his wife that all was well, and sang "I know that His presence will lighten the gloom, and that will be glory for me."

The Colonel delivered a very stirring address. He assured the bereaved ones that their loved one was enjoying the pleasures of Heaven and that all was well. Three souls claimed victory through the Blood of Christ which cleanses from all sin.

SISTER BLANCHE STICKLAND, PILLEY'S ISLAND

Death has taken from us Sister Blanche Stickland.

The Funeral Service was conducted by Adjutant Calnes, assisted by Mrs. Calnes and Cadet Stickland. The Juniors walked before the casket. At the Memorial service, her brother, with five others, surrendered.

SISTER MRS. VINCENT, TRITON

Sister Mrs. James Vincent has been called Higher. She was laid aside quite a long while, yet the end came unexpectedly. She assured her husband that all was well. To the sorrowing husband, son and three daughters we extend our heart-felt sympathy.

General Secretary's Notes

SITES have been secured at Humbermouth and Corner Brook upon which Citadels will be erected during the Summer months.

Captain King, who has been on the sick list, is sufficiently improved to take a less strenuous appointment, and has been appointed to the command of Deer Lake School.

Wilmore, eldest son of Adjutant and Mrs. Woodland, of Wesleyville, who has been in the hospital for the past three months in, we are pleased to say, after a second operation, making splendid progress toward recovery.

Mrs. Adjutant Lodge, Bell Island, who for some time past has been seriously ill, is somewhat improved, and hopes to be back at her much loved work in the near future.

An illustrated service, recently given at Peter's Arm by Major Tilley and Adjutant Cornick, was the first to be seen in this settlement.

The erection of new buildings at Gooseberry Island and Change Islands is now under way.



Sub-Territorial Commander COLONEL THOMAS CLOUD

Springdale St., St. John's, Nfld.

CATALINA

Envoy and Mrs. Crocker

On a recent Sunday night ONE soul surrendered. The Meeting on Thursday was conducted by Captain Reader, of Elliston, assisted by Envoy Cole. Their words were full of inspiration and TWO knelt at the mercy-seat.

CARMANVILLE

Ensign Jones, Lieutenant Whelan

In three weeks thirty-five seekers have knelt at the Cross. Since the open-

WHITBOURNE

Captain Heath

On a recent Wednesday night we had the joy of seeing ELEVEN out for the Second Blessing. The Local Officers were commissioned last Sunday night.

ST. JOHN'S I.

Commandant and Mrs. Urquhart

A most interesting demonstration was held at St. John's I. on a recent Thursday night, consisting of different tableaux. The platform was decorated with

Touring in Grand Falls and Humber Districts

THE GENERAL SECRETARY and Adjutant Cornick have just concluded a tour of the Grand Falls and Humber Districts. Arriving at Grand Falls they were met by the District Officer, Commandant Earle, and given a warm reception.

At night a public Holiness Meeting was held in the Young People's Hall, which was well filled and EIGHTEEN men and women surrendered.

On Saturday night a lantern service was given. The Hall was well-filled and the Meeting was very impressive. The Young People were visited on Sunday morning and a profitable Meeting held. It was very encouraging to see the splendid attendance at the Holiness Meeting, and SEVEN men and TWO women claimed the Blessing.

The Company Meeting, which was visited prior to the afternoon's service, is second to none in the country. Mrs. Commandant Earle had forty tots in the Sand Tray Class, with each of the Companies under capable Company Guards. All, directed by Y.P. Sergeant-Major Lock, were seemingly interested in their study. The Major gave them some advice and urged the necessity of making a right choice.

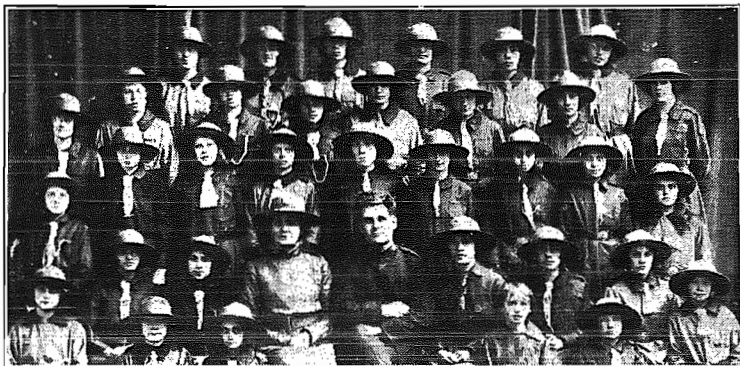
Adjutant Cornick spoke at the afternoon Free and Easy. From a standpoint of attendance the Sunday night Meeting was far beyond expectations; over 700 people were present. A special feature was the enrolment of several Comrades under The Flag. NINE seekers knelt at the mercy-seat, which was a great source of encouragement to the Soldiers. The Band rendered excellent service during the day and Commandant and Mrs. Earle are to be complimented on the splendid fighting qualities of the Soldiery.

Returning to Grand Falls on Thursday a Young People's Meeting was held in the afternoon, when Guard Leader Mrs. Howwood had the Sunbeams to the front; they sang two splendid songs. EIGHTEEN came forward.

At 7.30 a review of the Guards took place in the Young People's Hall. An appropriate Troop song was rendered, after which the Guard Leader expressed her pleasure in having the visitors meet the Life-Saving Guards. The Major complimented the Troop members on their smart appearance and gave a brief address on the qualifications necessary for efficiency. Great credit is due the Leader for the interest taken in this branch of the Young People's Work, which is recognized by the townspeople as a splendid asset.

Botwood, Peter's Arm and Bishop Falls, under the command of Commandant and Mrs. Jones, Captain Abbott and Field-Major and Mrs. Stiekland, respectively, were visited. Lantern services were given, also school inspections conducted at each place.

(To be concluded)



The St. John's I. Life-Saving Guards with Staff-Captain Sainsbury, Territorial Organizer for Newfoundland, Commandant Urquhart, Commanding Officer, and Guard Leader Barter

ing SIXTY-FIVE have found pardon. We now have twenty-eight Soldiers on the Roll, with another enrolment in view.

BURIN

Ensign and Mrs. Ryan

During the past two weeks we have had the joy of seeing TWENTY-FOUR surrenders. The spirit of conviction is manifest in every Meeting and we are believing for a big break soon.

PORT ANSON

Captain Buftell

We are pleased to report advance and on Sunday night eleven claimed victory, making a total of THIRTY-FIVE seekers recently. The Comrades are full of faith for the future.

We welcomed home two of our Soldiers, who gave earnest testimonies to God's power to keep, while away in the lumber camps.

LONG POND

Captain Kennedy

Since the Campaign started TWENTY-TWO seekers have surrendered, and one young man was enrolled under the Blood-and-Pire Flag.

Envoy Corfield, of St. John's II., and Envoy Martin and Sergeant-Major Pike, of St. John's III., paid us a visit on a recent Sunday, and as the benediction was being pronounced a man came to the mercy-seat; he got gloriously saved.

We visited Seal Cove (an outpost) and had an old-fashioned Cottage Meeting. Everyone got blessed and ONE soul claimed victory.

On Sunday night during the Testimony Meeting one woman came to the mercy-seat and obtained forgiveness of sins.

ST. JOHN'S III.

Adjutant Abbott

During the first week of April THIRTY-TWO seekers have claimed victory. We are having an enrolment in the near future. A very interesting lantern service was given during the week.

ST. JOHN'S II.

Captains Abbott and Oake

A Sale of Work and Tea was held at St. John's II. prepared by the Life-Saving Guards, in aid of the property. There was a large number present, and a very substantial amount was raised.

HOLINESS MEETINGS

The United Holiness Meetings concluded on Friday last at St. John's I. It was a cause of great satisfaction to the Colonel to see the large number present who had claimed the Blessing of Full Salvation during the winter months. In the concluding service TWENTY surrendered.

LUSHE'S BIGHT

Ensign and Mrs. Porter

We rejoiced on Friday last to see ONE sinner return who had long desired to be saved, but had constantly refused. We have launched our Self-Denial Effort and expect to reach the goal.

Do not wait for a larger sphere. Fill the sphere in which you already find yourself.

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COMMISSIONER SOWTON visits St. Stephen, Woodstock and Fredericton



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FIELD-MAJOR CABRIT ANSWERS THE CALL

A CABLE to hand, just as we are about to go to press, announces the passing of Field-Major Noemie Cabrit. For a long period our splendid warrior Comrade, who retired from active service more than a year ago, was confined to Hospital in France, whither she had retired. She battled with characteristic courage against an affliction which has now ended the earthly stage of a life of exceptional usefulness and fragrance. We mourn the loss of a truly great woman Officer, but we joy in her triumph and know that she has passed into the presence of the King.

SELF-DENIAL

I T IS THE very essence of the love of God in the human heart that we should freely give what we can for the present and eternal welfare of others. The exercise of this grace is more incumbent upon us owing to the multitudes within our reach who cannot possibly help themselves to shake off the hindrances to their moral and social Salvation until we first of all help them. It is only by a united and universal act of Self-Denial that we can raise money adequate to the claims, needs, and opportunities of The Army throughout the world. Moreover, the blessing of God has manifestly been given to all previous efforts of this nature, stimulating the people of God to self-sacrifice for new and active interest in the Salvation of the heathen, and the neglected and sunken classes of the world. Self-Denial week evidently has in it greater possibilities than its originators ever dreamt of, or can even yet conceive. Therefore, as a weapon in the hands of God's people it ought to be still further strengthened. The Salvation Army, as a whole — and it should only be viewed as a whole — in the spirit of true brotherhood touches the nations of the earth in so many diverse ways that it ought to be supported by all classes of the community.

O N WEDNESDAY morning, citizens of Woodstock. Rev. Mr. April 15th, Major and Mrs. Burton joined the Commissioner and Lieut.-Colonel Adby at McAdam Junction en-route to St. Stephen, the first call of the Commissioner's Eastern tour. They were met at the depot by Ensign Boulton, Commanding Officer of St. Stephen Corps.

At Meeting time rain was pouring down, yet a large crowd gathered to welcome the visitors. Major Burton opened the Meeting with song, and Ensign Boulton extended a hearty welcome to the Commissioner. Our Leader responded, and following his expression of delight at being able to visit St. Stephen, he gave glimpses of Army work in Canada and non-Christian lands.

Lieut.-Colonel Adby soloed and spoke, then the Commissioner gave an instructive address urging sinners to seek Christ.

WOODSTOCK

CAPTAIN HISCOTT warmly greeted the party on arrival at Woodstock. At 5 p.m. the Commissioner was guest of honor at a luncheon provided by the Postmaster, Mr. Winslow. His Worship, Mayor Belyea, and a number of the leading business men were present. The refreshments were prepared and served by the young women who are taking a course in domestic science in the school. Several short addresses were given, including speeches from Mr. Mair, Chairman of the School Board, Mr. Maxwell, Director of the School, His Worship, Mayor Belyea, Rev. John Cavers (Methodist), Commissioner Sowton, Lieut.-Colonel Adby and Major Burton. The remarks of our Leader concerning The Army's progress were listened to very attentively.

At 7.30 a stirring Open-Air was held. The Methodist Church was kindly loaned for the Commissioner's Meeting, and a good crowd assembled to hear his address on the work of The Army throughout the world. Mayor Belyea welcomed the Commissioner on behalf of the

citizens of Woodstock. Rev. Mr. Cavers read a Bible portion, and Lieut.-Colonel Adby soloed and prayed.

The Commissioner delivered an exceptionally instructive address, closing his remarks with a direct appeal to every Christian to shoulder responsibilities and daily practice self-denial for the good of others. The service closed in a general consecration followed by prayer by the Commissioner.

The Commissioner was kindly entertained by Mr. Mair and Lieut.-Colonel Adby by Mr. Estey.

FREDERICTON

A T FREDERICTON, the capital city of New Brunswick, the visitors were met by Adjutant Wells, and taken direct to their billets. The Commissioner to the home of Mrs. J. Kelburn, and Lieut.-Colonel Adby to Deputy Bandmaster J. Lyons' residence.

Harry Williams, who is condemned for murder, and sentenced to be hanged on Thursday, April 23rd, read in the "War Cry" left him in his cell by the Corps Officer, that the Commissioner would be in Fredericton; he made a request for a visit, so the Commissioner, Lieut.-Colonel Adby, Major and Mrs. Burton and Adjutant Wells went to see him. The prisoner has had several visits from the Corps Officer and Soldiers, and has professed conversion. The Commissioner talked with him, read from God's Word, and prayed.

Following an Open-Air, a good crowd gathered in the Citadel where Major Burton extended a welcome to the visitors. The Commissioner dedicated the infant daughter of Adjutant and Mrs. Wells, and, in addition to his remarks concerning The Army's progress in various parts of the world, he gave a Bible address. Several hands were raised for prayer.

At the time of closing this issue for the press we have not received any report concerning the Commissioner's week-end at Springhill.

MRS. COMMISSIONER SOWTON

Mrs. Commissioner Sowton who is due to leave Toronto on Wednesday morning next, April 29th, on a visit to the Old Land, is hoping to meet members of her family whom she has not seen for many years, and who will then be in England. She will also see Captain George, the youngest son of our esteemed Territorial Leaders. Comrades will join with us in the wish that Mrs. Sowton may have a restful and happy time with her loved ones, and that she may be granted journeying mercies.

In the interests of that all-absorbing theme — Self-Denial — Mrs. Commissioner Sowton visited Riverdale Corps on April 20th and conducted a delightful public Meeting with the Comrades and friends of that vicinity. Mrs. Sowton was supported by Mrs. Colonel Powley and the wives of several Staff Officers.

A lecture, "My Missionary Journey to the Borders of Tibet," was admirably given by Mrs. Sowton and it is believed that a decided impetus was given the Self-Denial drive.

A HEARTY WELCOME HOME was accorded the Chief Secretary and the Editor, in a recent non-day Prayer Meeting at Territorial Headquarters, on the occasion of their return from campaigning in Bermuda. The Chief Secretary, we were glad to note, is greatly improved in health.

Commandant Hurd, an energetic member of the Subscribers' Department, is meeting with success in the Self-Denial Campaign. In a number of places the Commandant has lined up committees and is addressing Mass Meetings with good success.

COMMISSIONER MAPP TO VISIT TORONTO

As we go to press we learn that Commissioner Mapp, International Secretary for India, the Dominions, and the United States, is visiting Toronto next week. It is anticipated that he will conduct one or two Meetings during his brief stay, and Toronto Comrades will value the opportunity of seeing and hearing the Commissioner. We advise all interested to watch for announcements.

Ensign Nellie Robinson, of Bethesda Hospital, London, has been transferred to Captain Langford's Hospital, and Captain Langford has transferred from Whitby to North Toronto; Captain Martin, of the latter Corps, is supplying at Peterboro during the illness of Commandant Smith, and Lieutenant Ross, of Fensholt Falls, is appointed to assist Lieutenant MacGillivray at Whitby.

Commissioner Sowton has received an urgent request for a trombone from a prisoner at Burwash Reformatory. A small orchestra, consisting of a piano, two cornets, two violins and a bass violin, supplies music at the various Meetings, but the need is a TROMBONE. Any reader desiring to provide the need and instrument, please communicate with Colonel Otway, 20 Albert Street, Toronto, Ontario.

Special prayer was made at the Headquarters Prayer Meeting for Brigadier McMillan, of Montreal, who, though making a brave fight, appears to be nearing the Valley of the Shadow, and for whom prayer is requested are, Commandant Smith, of Peterboro, and Mrs. Captain Ellis of Quillville, who are travelling slowly; also Ensign Jones, of Danforth, who is improving following a slight operation.

Among the recent promotions to the Staff in the British Territory is that of Lieutenant Robert Hoggard, Young People's Secretary for the North West Division. Staff-Captain Hoggard is the son of Commissioner and Mrs. Hoggard of New Zealand, and Mrs. Staff-Captain Hoggard is the daughter of Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Perry, Toronto.

In the Western "War Cry" we note that Adjutant R. Clark and Adjutant C. Tuttle, both well-known in Canada East Territory, have been promoted to the rank of Staff-Captain. Congratulations.

Ensign Casway wishes, through "The War Cry," the many Comrades and friends who have made kind expressions of sympathy during her recent bereavement.

We are pleased to observe that Riverdale Corps (Captain and Mrs. Green) now lend all Toronto Corps in the matter of "War Cry" sales. Seventy-five copies in two weeks is the latest increase, which brings the Corps' total to three hundred copies, with more to follow.

On the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the St. John I. Corps, recently commemorated, a service was held on the spot where the first operations were commenced in the city.

Sympathy is extended to Colonel Meredith, who has received a cable of condolence of the passing of his mother.

In Sun-Kissed Bermuda With The Chief Secretary

IMPRESSIONS RECORDED OF AN EFFECTIVE CAMPAIGN

BEAUTIFUL ISLES OF THE SEA—BERMUDA'S DISTINGUISHED GOVERNOR—A HAPPY PEOPLE—
THE ARMY'S INTERESTING REPRESENTATION

WITH THE CHIEF SECRETARY, the writer is back at Territorial Headquarters, and it is some days since Sunny Bermuda "where eternal spring enshrouds everything," faded from view. Reviewing the Campaign there held, which, commencing on April 3rd, extended over a period of eleven days and embraced seventeen indoor gatherings in addition to outdoor engagements, one is led to praise God for "something attempted and something done." Surely it was touched by His gracious Finger!

Thanks to the sound advertising methods of Adjutant Gillingham, the District Officer, and to the Officers in charge of the various Corps, thoroughly representative audiences assembled at each place visited. Expectations for big times were aroused and, according to many who made opportunity to record their opinions, those expectations were abundantly realized.

That the Chief Secretary was Divinely sustained is certain. He faced a program of events, which proved to be a good deal more strenuous than appeared to be the case on paper, with great courage, and veritably made hard work the chariot by which he rode to improved health. So that while he is still some distance from the mark robust, he is appreciably better than when he set out for the south.

A detailed account of this Campaign is out of the question, but something can be said which will shed light on what it pleased a resident of Hamilton—who was present at The Army's first Meeting in Bermuda and has been a close observer and warm friend ever since—to describe as:

"A Campaign so full of spiritual power, of instruction and of interest, that all in Bermuda felt the waves of blessing and uplift which emanated from it."

Writing as one detached from the Campaign team—if the writer may be permitted that convenience—he would state that in his opinion much of the success achieved was due to the studied character of the Meetings. The Campaign was thoroughly programmed; the messages delivered were clothed with power and full of vital teaching, and the songs, sung to melodies which suited their themes, were of special aid. Then, too, there was present in gracious measure throughout the series of Meetings, a quality of inspiration which lifted them high above the ordinary and tipped them with the prefix—extra.

Whilst each of the seventeen Meetings held occupies a place in the memory, it is natural that one or two make more instant claim for reference than others. A whisper, however, concerning each.

It was apparent in the initial Meeting, which was presided over by His Worship Mayor A. W. Bluck, M.C.P., who was supported by several influential people, that Salvationists and Bermudians in general were glad to have Colonel Powley in their midst. They greeted him royally, and it may be stated that he won their hearts right at the onset. His Worship, in the course of his address of welcome, referred in very warm terms to what he termed "the effective work which The Army is doing in the city of Hamilton." "Salvationists," he said, "contribute very materially to the well-being of the community. Wherever seen

they are dispensing cheer with their music and singing, and are telling out with impressive confidence of Salvation for all through Jesus Christ." This eulogy was very heartily endorsed by the Rev. Dr. Bell who represented the Churches of Bermuda, and also by other speakers, Salvationists and otherwise, who spoke in cordial strain.

On Saturday evening our Bermudian Comrades demonstrated their prowess in the musical line. Bandsmen were present from the four Corps and gave an interesting account of themselves, as did also the Songsters. Mention must be made of Hamilton Life-Saving Guards who were seen and heard to advantage in a Service of Song, entitled "The White Garland."

Three Meetings were conducted on Sunday; those of the morning and evening being held in the Hamilton Citadel, and that of the afternoon in

Masonic Hall, kindly loaned for the occasion. Members of the Band from Southampton were in attendance and very materially helped their Comrades of Somerset. H. Villiers Smith, Esq., a warm friend, was in the chair, and in the course of his pleasing introductory address spoke of seeing The Army at work in the United States, Canada, Egypt, West Indies, and in many parts of Europe. "Wherever I have seen Salvationists," he stated, "I have found them standing for the same lofty principles which are invariably emphasized in their Meetings in Bermuda. The Salvation Army is a world-wide agency which specializes in doing good. No home is too lowly for its representatives to visit; no tribe is too savage, and no man is too vile to be outside the reach of its message and the power to which it witnesses; and no disease is too loathsome for its splendid ministering angels to endeavor to cure. In my capacity as magistrate for the western district of Bermuda I know of, and acknowledge, the good being accomplished by The Salvation Army."

Following a lecture, delivered by the Colonel, the Rev. Mr. Sweetman spoke of happy association with The Army stretching over a period of many years, and referred to having entertained "that splendid saint of God, the late Commissioner Railton," in his paragon home. The memory of a sacred hour spent in communion with Commissioner Railton, he said, has been, is now, and still will be, one of the chiefest inspirations to me, one of God's Sky-pilots.

GOOD FRIDAY

Early in the day Salvationists started out from all parts of the Islands for Hamilton. Some walked miles; others traveled by brake and buggy and many cycled. So that there gathered at the parent Corps a crowd representative of Salvation Army personnel in Bermuda. They made a fine showing.

In the afternoon the Hall was comfortably filled, and at night it was packed to the doors; every seat being occupied and many people being obliged to stand. These Good Friday services were really memorable and resulted in several supplicants at the mercy-seat.

EASTER SUNDAY

The day opened gloriously, both as regards weather and recognition of its sacred character. Hamilton appeared to be in gala dress. Its churches and homes, its cemeteries and gardens were decked with choice blooms, and there was an almost bewildering profusion of trumpet lilies. No Easter Sunday will dawn for the writer without there being evoked a memory of how this anniversary is commemorated in sun-kissed Bermuda. It seemed that everyone was out to celebrate the Resurrection of our Saviour, and as the "church hour" approached, whichever way one looked, people could be seen making for their respective places of worship.

A splendid audience gathered in the Hamilton Citadel and participated in a service which was touched by the power of the Resurrection. The Colonel strove mightily and pleaded for a more complete following in the footsteps of our Lord. Almost as soon as the invitation was given a man made his way to the mercy-seat, and the Meeting (Continued on page 13)



The British Commissioner (Commissioner Samuel Hurren) meets a section of the British National Headquarters Staff in Council.

the Opera House. This last mentioned event was exceptionally far-reaching in its scope. About six hundred and fifty people assembled and gave the Colonel a really great hearing. Though not in the best condition, physically, he presented a masterly view of "Pictures and Personalities of Salvation Army warfare," and held the audience, which was of a size and character remarkable, enthralled with his enlightening resume.

The Hon. H. W. Watlington, O.B.E., M.C.P., presided at this gathering and, in a brief address, which was brimful of cordial comment, made reference to his first glimpse of The Salvation Army back in the year 1875. "I was only a very young lad at that time," he said, "and was staying in London with my father who was the captain of a vessel plying between Bermuda and England. That first view provoked my interest in a movement which has become the wonder of the world, and which I increasingly esteem because of the good work accomplished wherever its Flag flies."

Monday and Tuesday were spent at St. Georges. The first evening being devoted to a lecture, which was presided over by Mayor W. J. Boyle, and the second to a thoroughly rousing Salvation Meeting.

On Wednesday Southampton was visited, and the Methodist Church, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, was crowded to the doors. The church choir was in attendance and rendered a selection during the Meeting which was deeply spiritual in character. W. S. Perin, chief, Esq., M.C.P., tendered a most cordial welcome on behalf of the community.

Somerset was the scene of action on Thursday, and there the Colonel delivered a lecture in the



The WORLD

*Its Ways and Says ~
~ Its Joys and Sighs*

Wonder Spots of the Empire

No. 8—THE HIMALAYA
MOUNTAINS, INDIA

THE WORLD ON WHEELS

MOTOR VEHICLES continue rapidly to increase in Canada. The returns for 1914 show a total of 639,114, a gain of 72,628 for the year. This is the largest gain of any year except 1917, when it reached 78,421. Ontario, as in various other fields, almost equals the total for the rest of the Dominion, having 302,829, a gain of over 28,000. Quebec comes next with 80,983, a gain for the year of 12,000.

A surprising disclosure from the returns is the general distribution of motor-owning. It is no longer the possession only of rich people of the cities, but has spread to the farms and the most sparsely settled Provinces. The average ownership of motor vehicles in Canada is about one to every fourteen persons. In Ontario the average is one in a little under ten. British Columbia has one in a little over ten, Saskatchewan one in eleven, Alberta one in twelve, and Manitoba one in fourteen. The four Western Provinces are primarily agricultural, and the fact that their motoring population is almost as dense as Ontario's is convincing evidence of the change.

Every now and again the cry that the saturation point will soon be reached is heard in reference to motor vehicles, but the increase in buying continues. Motoring for pleasure may not have grown at quite the former pace, but, on the other hand, the advantages of the "gas buggy" for light and heavy transport in connection with business are increasingly realized. The streets of villages, the country roads, the church sheds in the remote communities, all show the presence of the all-conquering motor. Even if a new purchasers came, the business from renewals would now provide a very comfortable industry in itself.

The Old Gardener Says:

PLANT a few bulbs of the regal lily this month to fill your garden with fragrance in July. This new lily from China is very hardy. It multiplies rapidly, and will grow almost anywhere. The large, trumpet-like flowers are exceedingly handsome, having white petals softly streaked with rose. This is one of the few lilies that will bloom the year in which it is set out.

We never heard of—

An artist admitting that he wasn't much of an artist.

A political party declaring that it was not acting for the public good.

A reporter admitting that he had been scooped.

A man complaining about his wife wearing her hats two seasons.

An insurance man admitting that he did not have the best policy on the market.

Marble Head of Caesar found in Hudson

WHILE A U.S. GOVERNMENT dredge was working in the Hudson river, it sucked up from the hard clay of the river bed the head of Augustus Caesar, chiseled in fine Carrara marble and believed to have been the work of

some sculptor of the first century. How it came from Italy to America is still a matter of conjecture. Experts declare it probably would have taken the marble head well over a hundred years to sink to the depth at which it was found in the clay.

THIS range of mountains, the highest on the planet, crosses numerous countries in its stretch from east to west. The mountains commence in Tibet, cross Bhutan, then run through Sikkim and Bengal, through the centre of Nepal and then gain into Empire territory in the Kashmir, Punjab, and the North Western Provinces of India.

If one has been privileged to behold the Canadian Rockies and the Swiss Alps, and then to witness some of the ranges that make up the Himalayas, two points of interest will come at once to his mind. In the Asiatic range there are no foothills. The condition might better be described as an absence of the smaller ranges that surround the Rockies and the Alps. Like Kipling's Road to Mandalay, the Himalayas rise up like thunder from the plains of Bengal. Towering peaks with rugged walls that have been cut and scarred by raging torrents greet the visitor with a suddenness that is inspiring.

A second outstanding feature in comparison with our western range is the complexity of vegetation. Tropical trees, plants and flowers, interspersed with tea and spice gardens, fill many of the valleys. Above are forests upon forests of tropical hardwoods that blend into specimens that thrive only in the cold, and above all is the eternal snow.

The word Himalaya is from the Sanskrit, and means the abode of the snow god. There are vast tracks of this elevated country that have not yet been explored by white man, and very few of the peaks have been accurately measured. There are many geographers who think that time will reveal numerous peaks exceeding thirty thousand feet. Such a discovery would rob Everest of its glory. Although threaded by scores of mighty rivers the passes through the Himalayas are very few. The best known of these is the Khyber, leading into Afghanistan. Most of the passes have been used by armies and caravans since the dawn of human history.

You cannot repent too soon; you do not know how soon it will be too late.

Just Keep On

Just keep on a-livin'
And keep on a-givin'
And keep on a-tryin' to smile.
Just keep on a-singin'
A-trustin' an' a-singin',
To the promise of an after
while,
For the sun goes up and the
sun goes down,
And the morning follows night.
There's a place to rest,
Like a mother's breast
And a time when things come
right.
Just keep on believin'
An' a-hidin' all your grievin'
And keep on a-tryin' to cheer,
Just keep on a-prayin'
A-lovin' an' a-sayin'
The things that we love to hear.
For the tide goes in,
And the tide goes out,
And the dark will all turn
bright,
There's a rest from the load,
And an end to the road,
An' a place where things come
right.

Good-Bye Mosquitoes

CAREFUL observations have been made in France, of the extent to which mosquitoes are attracted to domestic animals in preference to human beings. It was proved experimentally that mosquitoes have a strong predilection for the blood of rabbits, stronger than for that of any other domestic animal. This discovery has been practically applied in many parts of France as a protection from mosquitoes, and particularly from those that carry germs of malaria, and similar diseases. In many parts of France now the inhabitants raise rabbits in conjunction with poultry, and thus protect themselves profitably against the dangers of disease-bearing mosquitoes.

CAN YOU EXPLAIN THESE EVERY-DAY WONDERS?

1. Why do radiators knock and rumble when steam is first turned on?
2. Where does dust come from?
3. Why should gas be turned down low after water is boiling?

WHY RADIATORS KNOCK

1. There are two causes of radiator knocks. First, if the valve is only partly turned on, there is not enough room for the condensed water to drain back into the pipe and the steam to enter. The churning of the water inside the radiator produces the rumbling sound. As the air has already been pushed out by the steam, this water is moving back and forth in an almost perfect vacuum. It therefore moves in a solid mass, and when it strikes the sides of the radiator, the sound, and the blow itself is like that of a hammer stroke.

A second cause of knocking is the sudden condensing of steam. The steam enters water that has collected at the bottom of the radiator, and instantly becomes a drop of water 1100 of its former size. The rest of the space is a vacuum, which the water rushes to fill, and the "knock" is the sound of the impact as the sides of the water come together.

WHERE DUST COMES FROM

2. Dust is made up of particles of unburned carbon from smoke; fragments of wool, cotton, and air; living organisms, and finely divided mineral matter. All are constantly being cast up into the air, and they slip through the cracks of houses and settle. After billions of billions of particles have fallen, we say the floor is dusty.

To the presence of dust particles in the air we owe the existence of fog and haze. Without dust to reflect the sun's rays, daytime would be dark.

After the eruption of Mount Krakatoa, dust thrown up by the explosion was carried completely around the world.

TURNING DOWN THE GAS

3. Chiefly as a measure of economy, gas should be turned low after water is boiling. Water boils at 212

degrees, and once that temperature is reached, any additional heat drives the molecules apart and produces steam. No matter how hot the flame, the water will stay at this temperature until it is entirely evaporated.

It is wise to use just enough gas to keep the water boiling. The food will cook just as rapidly.

TOAST EASIER TO DIGEST

4. A perfect food is one that is readily absorbed without straining the digestive system and that contains the proper amount of nourishment in the correct proportions. Toast fulfills these conditions. Bread, when dried, is more readily acted upon by the ptyalin of the saliva, which is the principal agent in digesting carbohydrates such as bread. As toast is dry, it cannot be swallowed before it is properly chewed. This makes toast easier to digest than bread.

HOW SOAP REMOVES DIRT

5. Soap has the power to dissolve the grease in which dirt is held to the skin or to clothing, and the loosened dirt particles are washed off with water. In this process the grease breaks up into tiny globules that are carried away by the soap solution. In addition to this mechanical action, there is sometimes a chemical action. When dissolved in water, soap sets free some of its alkali, which again forms soap with the grease in the object being cleaned.

WHY MILK SOURS

6. Innumerable bacteria of many different kinds are always floating about in the air, and milk offers an excellent medium for their growth. Among these bacteria are certain to be a few lactic-acid bacteria. These multiply very rapidly in milk, and as they grow they change the milk sugar into lactic-acid. This gives the milk the "sour" taste.

Montreal I. Band

TO FURTHER the cause of good music, a week of music was recently held under the auspices of the Delphic Study Club of Montreal, and the band was asked to co-operate by giving a Festival. This took place in our own Hall on Saturday last before a large and appreciative audience. Items of visiting friends were also very pleasing. Participating in this manner the band was able to demonstrate the quality of music published by The Army's Musical Board and to bring before the public, once again the reason of the existence of all Army Bands—the salvation of souls. Ensign McBain presided.

Earlscourt Songsters

Before capacity audiences at Earlscourt and Toronto 1. on Good Friday and Easter Monday, respectively, Earlscourt Songsters, assisted by other sections of the corps, presented a brilliant spectacle entitled, "The Life of Christ."

Special scenes representing phases in our Saviour's life were presented with excellent effect and the solo and part singing, together with the recitals, were of a high order. No doubt had the desired effect of reaching the hearts of the people.

Leader Gordon deserves credit for having trained such an efficient Brigade.

The Demonstration, which was most original in every detail, was arranged by Sister Mrs. Macfarlane, a member of the Brigade.

Oshawa Y. P. Band

On the occasion of the second Enrolment Service at Whitby, we had a visit from the Young People's Band of Oshawa. The music rendered, under the able direction of Bandmaster Graves, was worthy of high praise.

There was a full Hall for the first Meeting and the Spirit of God was manifested. Three Comrades were enrolled under the Army Colors. After invoking God's blessing on these three Comrades and a benediction from each, we all united in singing "I'll be true, Lord, to Thee. People's Sergeant-Major Mrs. Walker took part in the Meeting. Special mention should be made of the fine rendering of "The Jewels at the Base" and "Undivided Heart" by the Band. The solos by the cornet, horn and euphonium were creditably executed, and every item enjoyed.

God is still working in our Corps and we give Him all the glory.

STAFF QUARTETTE

This combination visited Brampton on April 18-19th, and led a very helpful series of Meetings. Commencing with the Festival of Saturday night the interest of this music-loving community was attracted to the work of the week-end. His Worship, Mayor Weegenast, himself a musician of repute, presided at this performance and made reference to the local work of The Army, which he avowed, would always receive his full and hearty endorsement.

Rev. Mr. Turk, Grace Methodist Church, presided on Sunday afternoon and his services were blessed by a comprehensive glimpse of our prison work, given by Staff-Captain McElhiney. Preceding this service was a visit to the local hall, where although only one man was present at the service, a brief program was given. At its conclusion the man was prayed with and led into the Light.

The Salvation Meeting, led by Staff-Captain Beer, resulted in the conversion of one soul.

Musical Pairs

A VERY excellent program of music was recently broadcast by the Earlscourt Band from the Walmer Road Baptist Church. The program, which was given under the auspices of C.F.C.A., Toronto "Star," was supplemented by an interesting talk by Com-missioner Sowton on "Army Work in Other Bands."

The last of a series of Musical Festivals was recently given by the Dovercourt Band. A unique feature of this was an item rendered by "Dad" Gooch, his five sons and one grandson. Songster Leader Boys presided.

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~For Members of our Musical Fraternity~

MUSIC—THE LANGUAGE OF THE SOUL

By LIEUT.-COLONEL RICHARD SLATER

IN NATURE there is no music in the sense that a musician uses the word, for only the most elementary suggestions of musical ideas are found in the sounds made by the wind, or a running stream, a surging sea, or even by the birds in their singing. Melody and harmony, in the true meaning of the words, do not exist ready made.

The human mind, however, is able to take sounds and make them the medium of expressing the moods of the soul in such a manner as to give in music a reflection of every human emotion. It is this soul-revealing and soul-expressing power which makes music so precious and so wonderful. No other art is so slenderly dependent upon the material world. Music carries us nearer than any other art to a conception of a spiritual state.

The air when put into vibration so acts upon the sensitive organ of hearing as to result in sensations of tone. These form the raw material with which the mind builds up, according to certain laws inherent in itself, those creations we call musical. The mind also provides the patterns for all such work. But how vastly different from mere vibrations of air are musical ideas into which the soul has poured forth its emotional experiences! We note therein, it is true, a conjunction between the sounds and the feelings, but merely that, for the things conjoined belong to two distinct worlds.

How rich is man's nature by its musical endowment from the wise and gracious hand of our Heavenly Father! God has not only considered man's daily needs for sustaining a bodily life, but, in music, He has given a precious gift by which man, for his pleasure and benefit, can pour forth all his soul in its countless moods of joy and sorrow, hope and despair, holy aspiration and heart-eating regret.

Music is an art that has less to do with earthly things than any other. Its proper realm is the soul. It brings us nearer the spirit-world than anything else can do, and it opens up before us communion with the saints far and fellowship with God in a higher, nobler, purer world than this. Are we truly thankful for such a treasure?

Music can be made to minister merely to the sense of beauty, so bringing, it is true, gratification to the artistic element of our constitution—one not to be despised, however, for it is God-given, and was meant to be exercised for pleasure and progress. But this is certainly not the greatest purpose of music. Music so employed does not reveal the highest and noblest forms to which it can attain.

While admitting it is not a sin to use music as art, for God has made us so that we may feel the pleasure that comes from beauty in sound and from musical ideas, conveyed through the ear—as the eye is the means of perceiving the color beauty of the countless flowers that deck the world—yet we have no hesitation in saying that music is at its best when it becomes the language of the soul. It is in this direction that its priceless worth and its wonders are to be most clearly seen.

This power to voice the soul's experience, or to let out as a means of pleasure or relief the pent-up floods of the heart, is not dependent on association with words, for music can express or excite a feeling without their aid, as every truly musical person is well aware.

When fitting expression has been found by a musically-creative mind for a special mood, by means of musical notation or actual performance in singing or on an instrument, the same mood can be awakened in others: so the first man's pleasure and soul-exercise is transmitted to others; enriches them in a way that would be impossible by the efforts of their less-gifted minds with respect to musical creation.

Music at its best is the voicing of the moods of the soul. Words can be found to explain and locate the moods—in many cases a wise thing to do to prevent a waste of emotional energy, so binding the intellect and the emotions together, and making that healthy balance required to produce a satisfactory life.

How definite, how direct, how immediate and aglow with life music allows our spiritual exercises to become! The language of the soul is marvellously rich. Oh, how much more alive, blessing-bearing, God-revealing, our prayers and praises could be by a wiser and more hearty use of the aids with which music can supply us.

One of the most consoling thoughts about Heaven is its reality. There is no sham, no make-believe, no playing a part. Each soul and each deed of each soul, is as transparent as the sunlight of a Summer's day. On earth it is possible for a man to learn the language of the soul to a great measure by musical efforts, and to be so successful in its manipulation as to appear to be under the sway of a joy or a sorrow that in reality does not form a part of his actual experience. In performance a musician can, either as a singer or a player on an instrument, bring tears to one's eyes, or the flush of enthusiasm to one's cheek, and all the while be but playing a part, doing a make-believe, so far as he is personally concerned. In Heaven the man and his language can be but one. There is no simulation of a feeling; no display with a language that does not literally express what is the actual experience of the soul.

Music is indeed one of the most precious means God has bestowed upon us for the culture of our souls.



READY FOR THE CALL

BANDSMAN J. COSWAY

"HIS WAS A GOOD MAN," thus spoke Lieut.-Colonel Attwell at the Funeral Service of Bandsmen John H. Cosway. Converted as a young man in 1881 at the old Bristol Circus, under the present Lieut.-Commissioner I. Sturth (then a Captain), John was soon playing in the Band with that earnest enthusiasm that has been characteristic of his service as an Army Bandmaster during the past forty-four years. With that thorough Salvationism for which he was so well known, he bore the heat of the early day battles, and after seventeen years of loyal service in Bristol he transferred to Swindon. Here he was commissioned Bandmaster and with that same intensity of purpose he grappled with the problems of his office, until the Swindon 1. Band became one of the best provincial Bands in The Salvation Army. For a number of years, too, our Comrade was Divisional Bandmaster for the Oxford Division. Coming to Canada twenty years ago, he immediately linked up with Lippincott, and was commissioned Bandmaster soon after his arrival. Always anxious to render service, he also undertook to instruct the Riverdale Band. Following several years of successful work, he was appointed a Staff Bandman and trombone in the Staff Band his quiet, unassuming and godly life wielded a great influence with the younger members of the Band.

His next field of labor was as Bandmaster of the Temple Band, followed by the instructorship of the Earlscourt Band. During the last few years he has been a Soldier at Dovercourt, where he held the position of Band-Sergeant. With failing health his activities were somewhat curtailed, but behind the scenes and in his home he labored ardently by teaching a number of lads music. In this respect he sowed much good seed. He always urged the young Bandmen to put first things first. Anxious still to be of service to God and The Army, he promised the Young People's Band Leader, a few days before God called him home, that when well and able to be at the Corps again, he would become the Young People's Band-Sergeant.

The Funeral Service, held at Dovercourt Citadel, was a tribute to his life of consecrated and unselfish service for God and The Army. Bandsmen from all parts, even as far as Flint, Michigan, attended to pay tribute to a worthy Comrade. Colonel Miller and Lieut.-Colonel Noble prayed, and stirring tributes were paid to the saintly character and sacrificial service of our Comrade by Lieut.-Colonel G. Attwell, Young People's Sergeant-Major Hain and Staff-Captain McElhiney, who conducted the service. The Staff Quartette and Dovercourt Songsters sang.

—A. K.



BANDSMAN J. COSWAY

ST. JOHN III. (Ensign and Mrs. Friend)
—The hearts of the Comrades of No. II, were greatly inspired on Sunday, March 26th, when G. I. Ensign, of the 1st Cavalry, gave a most interesting and powerful sermon on the subject of "The Strong arm of love" and saved TWELVE souls. We closed at a late hour. In the morning ONE came forward. We had Ensign Mary Shuler, who lived in Bermuda, and a young man, who felt that he took the lesson and God used her in a mighty way. Monday night we had a grand Salvation meeting with some lantern slides; the subject being "The Whole and the Part." Our hearts were enlarged again in seeing ONE adult and SEVEN children kneeling at the mercy-seat. This meeting was led by Y.P.S.U. Robert Chambers. The Ensign assisting—

concluded with a general re-consecration.

In the afternoon the prison was visited and the inmates listened to a message of hope through Christ. Mr. Wilson, the jail Governor, was present and at the conclusion of the service showed the visitors over his domain. It was gratifying indeed to see a number of men reading "The War Cry."

Following the prison Meeting the young people of Hamilton were met, and in addition to one hundred and eighty-seven "eligibles" for this particular service about fifty adults secured admittance. This gathering was distinctly bright in character. How the young folks gave voice to the several congregational songs, and how splendidly did the staff of the Primary Section render a charming song, entitled "Climbing." It must be made of the playing of half a dozen boys who are being prepared for service in the Senior Band. The response to the appeal delivered in this Meeting was heartening to a degree; well over a score of young people seeking forgiveness.

At night the Citadel was again crowded to excess, the third time during the Campaign that this happy coming was obtained. For two hours the Meeting continued, the claims of the risen Christ being skillfully and powerfully declared. During the Prayer Meeting, which, though hard, was well fought, a woman—the subject of many prayers—yielded herself to God.

On Monday afternoon the Colonel met all the Officers stationed on the Island, in Council, and later had tea with them. In the Meeting he spoke very effectively on "Standards of life and service acceptable to God and The Salvation Army." As one Officer remarked, it was "a Meeting unforgettably uplifting; a season marked by the presence of Him Whom we serve."

The night Meeting, the final of the Campaign, was at once touching and pleasing. Had any doubt been entertained concerning the success of the Campaign it would have been swept away, for definite indeed were the remarks concerning its stimulating character. The Colonel's final charge was deeply stirring, and as he explained just what "being kept in the love of God" entailed, he enjoyed exceptional liberty. It seemed that the Meeting automatically led up to something big and memorable—and so it happened. There was a great desiring to reach the "higher heights" which had been so carefully outlined during the various gatherings, and in the end the mood was first of all a desiring and feelings culminated in a great pledging of devotion to God and The Flag.

And now a little about Bermuda—its Governor—its people—The Army's standing—and a few other matters which may occur to the writer and find expression through his pen.

BERMUDA AND BERMUDIANS

Let it be known, far and wide, that Bermuda is all that it is said to be. Always it is flower time. Always its tempo is agreeable to those who seek repose, for life rides at an even tenor. Bermuda enjoys an average yearly temperature of 70 degrees which is attributable to the gulf stream some two hundred miles distant. Winter, he it known, is only a comparative term—61 to 65 degrees. The Spring is unequalled in any other part of the world, whilst its Summer, 73 to 80 degrees, is tempered with continual sea breezes, and the Autumn is best described as a duplication of Spring. No wonder that about thirty thousand people from Canada and the United States visit its shores annually. These searchers seek beauty, peace and repose, and pleasure and solace in every corner and at every hour.

The people of Bermuda, which holds out attractions unknown else-

IN SUN-KISSED BERMUDA with The Chief Secretary

Things Seen and Heard During a Memorable Campaign

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where, and which possesses traditions and historical associations remarkable for a place so small—twenty square miles, with a population of approximately twenty-one thousand—are as sunny-hearted as they are happy-faced. They specialize in politeness, and visitors are immensely impressed with this feature. The absence of a salutation is the exception. A great proportion of the people get their livelihood from what is termed "Tourist Trade." For instance, there are six hundred buggies in Bermuda. This is consequent upon there being no autos, no light railroad or other means of easy locomotion. The horse is supreme!

When one learns that the only water procurable is rain-water, one immediately grows thirsty—and diffident, but having tasted the new drink, one is surprised that it pleases rather than pains.

It was a new experience for the writer to see banana, paw-paw, and mango trees yielding of their kind. Then, of course, the lily fields are glorious pictures of flowered-perfection. But

is to be congratulated on the capacity, the obvious practical interest, and the fine record of its Governor.

THE ARMY IN BERMUDA

In spite of difficult periods which have been experienced since The Flag was planted in Bermuda in 1896, steady progress has been made, and The Army is to-day firmly entrenched in the esteem, and we venture to state, the affection of the people. It has a strong force of Soldiers and adherents, and is operating in Hamilton, St. Georges, Southampton, and Somerset—key points of the Islands. Each Corps possesses a Band, not large in any case, and not extraordinarily efficient, but decidedly serviceable, and not unimportant. In three of the four places The Army is well housed. Hamilton, for instance, possesses a Hall with accommodation for four hundred people. Just now it is looking really fine, and it transpires that its present proud complexion is due to the work which Officers from way back have put in. Thinking over the past three years,

used by the bell of a fire engine and a school-bell—distinctly non-jarous.

Captain and Mrs. Hempstead are in command at St. Georges and are doing well. With the Chief Secretary the writer visited the Quarters which is quite a swell place as such places go in this quaint old capital city. The house lies way back from the lane, street, road, or avenue, whichever it happens to be called, and one approaches through a garden of banana, paw-paw, and castor-ol trees. The baby girl, who arrived three months ago, adds to the happiness of the Hempstead Citadel.

Somerset is one of the most beautiful parts of the Island, and there The Army is doing a useful work. Close by is the naval base and Leaguers have a splendid opportunity of showing their colors. At the present time there are several with the squadron on duty, but the frequent cruising of the vessels considerably limits the ability of these Comrades to figure with the local forces. The Corps possesses a Hall well able to accommodate all who attend, and it holds the distinction of ranking second to Hamilton in the matter of congregations. Ensign Froud and Lieutenant Newdick are leading the forces on to victory, and a very definite soul-saving work is in progress. We had converse with a recent captive, and he spoke glowingly of the wonderful transformation wrought in his life.

To gain admittance to the Hall at Southampton one has to climb a flight of much worn steps. Once aloft, however, one enters the crude, but extremely clean and sufficiently roomy home of the Southampton worthies who are led on by the energetic Lieutenant Zarfas, the tall and hearty Cadet of last Training Session. A product of Hamilton 1. Corps, and a trombone player, the Lieutenant still knows how and when to shout "Hallelujah!" He does not appear to be much disturbed despite the fact that his Quarters are especially attractive to bees who have built a number of hives in the rafters. He had hopes of ridding his home of them, so tried to smoke them out. Disturbed by his unwelcome efforts the said bees left their stations and launched an attack on this gallant Officer who was obliged to beat a retreat and leave the bees masters of the situation.

THE MEMORY OF BERMUDIANS

That Salvationists of Bermuda do not soon forget the Officers who visit them as laborers in their midst was very apparent. Any reference to erstwhile leaders was at once greeted with hearty and spontaneous applause. Commissioner and Mrs. Sowton, for instance, occupy a very definite place in the hearts of the Bermuda Soldiers, and evidence was forthcoming of the effective character of the Campaign which they conducted in the Island in the early part of last year. Then all references to Colonel and Mrs. Miller, Colonel Morehen, Lieut. Colonel Athy, Lieut. Colonel Desbrisay, Brigadier Eston, and especially those who were in their own—Staff-Captain and Mrs. White and Major Selwyn Galway—came in for warm endorsement. It might be mentioned also that some pride is felt in the fact that one of their adopted sons, a capture from the British Navy, is now the Editor of the Canada West News. We refer to Major Sidney Church.

And so one could go on writing about things seen, things heard, and things done during this memorable visit to that summer-hold out there in the Atlantic Ocean, but already more than the space prescribed for this review has been eaten up. It is, however, not want to know something about the natural wonders of the Island, and a little more about The Army, look out for an early issue of the "Young Soldier," and see what the writer has had to say to the one who edits that increasingly popular junior partner of "The War Cry."

Bermuda Notes

Population 21,000—"War Cry" circulation, 700. Splendid indeed! Will some Comrades meditate on this?

The old barn in which the first Salvation Army Meetings were held in Bermuda is still standing—but only just!

Some Bermudian Comrades still talk glowingly of what they saw and heard when they visited England for the International Congress of 1904.

Though totally blind, Brother Cleveland Jones holds the position of Publications Sergeant-Major at Southampton. He has been an ardent boomer of "The War Cry" for many years, and is so thoroughly acquainted with the people of the district and where they live that he is the official letter-carrier. We vote him a martyr, and here pay tribute to his magnificent courage. Also do we mention in this "War Cry" connection "Mother Stovel," of Hamilton, who disposes of sixty copies weekly.

language falls when it is a case of associating it with the splendid gardens which dot the Islands.

THE GOVERNOR OF BERMUDA

In response to an invitation issued by His Excellency the Governor, Lt. General Sir J. J. Asser, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., the Colonel, accompanied by Adjutant Gillingham and Man of the Pen, had audience with him at Government House. This was one of the outstanding events of the visit, for His Excellency was cordially in excess. It may be here mentioned that it was Bermuda's present distinguished and extremely popular Governor who so splendidly championed Salvation Army service on the Western Front during the Great War. He quickly detected the value of its work and made it possible for its Officers and workers to function to capacity. In course of conversation he spoke of those days and of his unqualified appreciation of our Organization, making special mention of Colonel William Haines who was for so long in charge of Salvation Army work in France.

The Chief Secretary was able to give a most comprehensive, up-to-the-minute account of our work in Bermuda and throughout the world. His Excellency evincing great interest. General Asser is a man of wide vision and lofty ideals, and Bermuda

for instance, Staff-Captain Ritchie, apart from being remembered for much other splendid work during his term on the Island, is associated with the installation of a false roof, a really attractive enamelled tin ceiling, which, according to those who saw the building prior to its introduction, has done much to beautify it. The Field-Major Hiscock carried on the good work by securing a complement of most comfortable chairs, and now Adjutant Gillingham is monumenting his term by considerably improving the approach to The Army's premier Citadel. It should be mentioned that both Adjutant and Mrs. Gillingham and Lieutenant Taylor are putting all they know into their work. The Adjutant is, of course, in charge of Army work in Bermuda in general, apart from being definitely responsible for the Hamilton Corps.

At St. Georges, The Army possesses a building that accommodates over three hundred people. Originally it was a church but has been splendidly adapted for Army purposes. Situated on a hill, the view secured from its tower is good. It might be mentioned that the bell is used to call the people to the Meetings. The ringer was not presented to us, neither was his or her identity revealed, but we voted the same—alive. The result was something between the tempo

HELP US FIND!

The Salvation Army will search for missing persons in any part of the globe, and, as far as possible, assist anyone in difficulty. Address Colonel H. Orway, James and Albert Streets, Toronto, marking "Enquiry" on the Envelope. One dollar should, where possible, be sent with each enquiry, to help defray expenses.

SCOTT, Donald—Age 16, nearly 6 ft. in height, fair hair. Brown eyes, fair complexion. Born in Montreal. He is a farmer by occupation and has been missing from his home since March 5th, 1925. Information as to his whereabouts urgently sought.

15567

OLSEN, Henry Christian.—Born in Christiania; age 19, rather tall, dark hair. Last heard from at Kirkland Lake, May, 1924. Was a seaman, also worked on railway work. Mother very anxious to locate.

15176

NICHOLS, Eleanor.—Age 11, and Charles, age 9, taken away by their father—Daniel Nichols—some three years ago. Mother very anxious to trace her children.

15208

McCORMICK, Robert J.—Height 5 ft. 10 in., well built, grey eyes, medium hair, clean shaven. Last heard from in Montreal. Information desired as to whereabouts.

L15222

MARR, Lily.—From Dundee, Scotland, age 28, domestic. Came to Canada, June, 1924, and is supposed to be in Toronto. May be a Salvationist. Friend in Toronto to anxious to trace.

15253

SUMMERS, Martha Ellen ("Mattie").—married, age 20, lived in Belleville, missing since 1919. Anyone knowing whereabouts please communicate.

15259

MORRIS, Jack.—Age 26, height 5 ft. 8 in., brown hair and eyes (glasses), medium complexion, born in Montreal. Missing seven years. Was living in Toronto. Marble cutter by occupation.

15254

RYNNANEN, Yrjo Adam.—Married, age 32, blue eyes, medium height. Last heard from at Sudbury in 1922. Any news regarding this man will be gratefully received.

15276

CHILDS, George and Albert.—Came to Canada years ago and returned to England in 1904, later coming back here again. Sister Esther anxiously enquires.

15340

EDMAN, Eric John Scholey.—Age 31, height 5 ft. 8 in., brown hair, blue eyes, fair complexion, native of Kidderminster, England. Has not been heard from for over a year. Last heard from in Toronto. Sister in England anxious for news.

L15354

KENT, Lewis William Atkins.—Sailed for Canada on S.S. "Lake Erie" in 1906. Age 36, height 5 ft. 7 in., fair hair and complexion, blue eyes. Oil and color-man by trade. Native of Enfield, Middlesex, England. Sought in connection with an Estate in England.

L15386

TRICKER, Mary Mrs., mother of Clarence Moore.—Who was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore, West Selkirk, Manitoba, April, 1899. Any news of mother or other relatives will be welcomed by Clarence.

15388

BALLS, Charles.—Age 38-40, height 5 ft. 7 in., dark brown hair. Missing one eye and some fingers. May wear glasses. Native of St. Edmunds, Suffolk, England. Last heard from during the War at Port Colborne. Sister Alice enquires.

L15410

HAWKINS, Mrs. B.—Last known address Parliament Street, Toronto. Mother in England very anxious for news.

L15319

OCEAN TRAVEL

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Sarnia—Sat-Sun., May 30-31st.
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STAFF-CAPTAIN OWEN: Trenton, Sat.-Mon., May 2-4th; Montreal III., Sun., May 17th; Prescott, Sat.-Mon., May 23-25th; Montreal VII., Sat-Sun., May 30-31st.

STAFF-CAPTAIN RITCHIE: Port Colborne, Sun., May 3rd; Hamilton III., Sat-Sun., May 9-10th; Hespeler, Sat-Sun., May 16-17th; Preston, Mon., May 18th.

STAFF-CAPTAIN TYNDALL: Smith's Falls, Sat-Sun., May 2-3rd; Lisgar Street, Sun., May 17th.

STAFF QUARTETTE: Flint (Michigan), Sat.-Mon., May 2-4th.

Lip-Reading for the Deaf

WE ARE asked to make mention of the fact that a class in lip-reading for the totally deaf and the hard of hearing is held Monday at 4 p.m. and Thursdays at 8 p.m. at the Wellesley Public School, Bay and St. Albans Streets, Toronto.

Excellent work is being accomplished among those afflicted in this way under the auspices of the Toronto Lip Reading Club. Qualified teachers give the services without receiving any remuneration whatever. On the contrary they pay Club fees and help to support the Organization. Immense help is being given to deaf people which enables them to keep a foothold in the industrial world, and all tuition is provided free. Anyone who desires may become a member of the Club in which case a fee of \$2.00 per year is charged, but this is optional.

If readers interested will forward their names and addresses to D. J. O'Donoghue, Barrister, 143 Confederation Life Building, Toronto, personal invitations will be gladly sent.

NO EXCUSE FOR MURMURING

IF ANY persons ever had an excuse for complaining, it really seems as if these poor Hebrews had one now. Out there in the desert, with nothing edible growing, no game within reach, no opportunity to work for food, no place in which to buy any, with children and dumb animals clamoring for it—was not this a hard pinch for them?

Put yourself mentally in their place; realize the trial to heart, body and faith; and then compare these things with your own actual situation. Would it be easier for you to bear life and trust God in that Sinaitic desert than in the city, town, or village where you now live.

Not one bit. You would probably have groaned and complained at Moses with the loudest of them: and maybe, when the trial of thirst came on you afterwards, you would have actually thrown a stone at him, instead of being "ready to," as the impatient Jews were.

But had they, hard as these things were to bear, any excuse for murmuring and complaining about them? No, none—absolutely none. God in His Word allows none, and reason and justice are against it, when we come to think about it.

God brought them into this place, and arranged these circumstances, with the full play of infinite wisdom and love. These things were meant to work out not only their spiritual profit, but, through that, their temporal good. They were meant to throw them wholly, with a fearless, aggressive faith, on God; and so, to put them in possession of all His wide, magnificent promises for the life that now is, as well as for that which is to come. They would have lacked "no good thing;" they would have been "abundantly satisfied with His goodness."

The way out of all their troubles was to pray, as individuals, and as a people; to take the Throne of God by storm with their believing prayers; to ask and receive. But they preferred to scold Moses! Tremendous anti-climax, is it not? But it is a pitiful and shameful one as well, a sorrowful and a mournful one. God sends the gracious angels of trouble and trial upon His people to draw them nearer to Him, to cut them off from human help, and comfort, to make them so call out to Him in faith that He can bless them as He never has done before. But they turn away from this open door of love and blessing and begin a foolish and wicked murmuring against Him! They shut the door of hope against themselves, and open one of doubt, gloom, despair, backsliding. Was there any excuse for the stubborn Jews? Is there any for you?

Complaining brings its own curse with it besides incurring the wrath of God. "Jealousy is cruel as the grave," said the wise man;

"And the whole congregation of the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. . . . And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel, . . . He heareth your murmurings against the Lord; and what are we, that ye murmur against us?"—Exodus 16: 2, 6, 7.

to health of soul and body. "Do all things without murmuring and disputing," commanded God through Paul.

What is the cure? How can one get rid of the habit, or ward off its approaches? There is a systematic course of exercises laid down by David in the 109th Psalm, which, if regularly and persistently carried out, will cure and keep in peace and joy any complainer. "Give thanks unto the Lord." Take stock of your past and present blessings, and be grateful for them.

I knew a mother who, while her baby lay scarlet and burning with fever, was tempted to repine about it. But there was the fewer lamentations would not cure it.

So she began to thank God that she had a cool room for her darling, a plentiful supply of linen, a fair knowledge of nursing, some one to send for the doctor, disinfectants to keep the other little one safe, and, most of all, the Salvation of God for her comfort and stay. As she counted up these things, she saw that nothing was lacking, that the Lord had just heaped up gifts and benefits upon her, and she poured out praises and thanks till the devil fled away, and the sun seemed to have risen in the darkness of that sick room. If we give thanks in proportion to all God's gifts to our souls as well as bodies, we shall never have any time for complaining.

"Call upon His name." Tell Him your needs and wishes, and ask Him to conform your will in your circumstances wholly to His; ask Him to let you find the blessing and the glory He has hidden away in the surrounding clouds for you, and to enrich your soul as fully as He has meant to do.

"Sing unto Him." A hymn in the heart, even if one cannot sing out for fear of disturbing some one, is a great help. Jesus sang a hymn just before He went into the Mount of Olives for the last time, and who knows how the psalm of praise may have strengthened His burdened heart for that hour of consummate anguish? We sing praises to God when the flesh fails and with the song comes the strengthening joy of the Spirit into our weary souls.

"Glory ye in His holy name."

Exult in your God, and you thereby triumph over all your foes. "Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord." You cannot help being happy when you have got as far as this, if your heart has been faithfully exercised in all the preceding commands; you will go on to "seek the Lord and His strength" exultingly; you will have forgotten that you had anything to complain about by this time. You will "remember His marvelous works that He hath done," to the exclusion of any unpleasant thing that some one else has done.



THE WISDOM OF ANCIENT CHINA

He who likes to ask becomes enlarged.

He who uses only himself becomes small.

O! he who would take care for his end must be attentive to his beginning.

The indulged consciousness of goodness is the way to lose that goodness.

Do not be ashamed of mistakes, and thus make them crimes.

What attainment can be made without anxious thought, what achievement can be made without earnest effort!

—From the "Shu Ching."